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Party Gras!



Photos by Geoff Belcher | Sea Coast Echo
Top: The Mystic Krewe of the Seahorse paraded in Bay St. Louis on Monday, led by Capt. Longbeard, Tim Sanford and Lady Claiborne, Sandy Walsh. . Above: The Krewe of Diamondhead's king and queen reigned over Saturday's annual parade.

BY GEOFF BELCHER
GENERAL MANAGER

Hancock County celebrated the Carnival season with abandon over the past several days, with the Krewe of Knights paraded in Bay St. Louis on Friday, the Krewe of Diamondhead paraded on Saturday, the Mystic Krewe of the Seahorse paraded on Lundi Gras and the Krewe of Real People: The Next Generation scheduled to roll after press time on Fat Tuesday.

Holy Trinity Catholic School's Krewe of Knights paraded on Second Street, Union Street and Beach Boulevard on Friday, turning back up toward the school beside Our Lady of the Gulf Church. Back at the school, HTC's Queen Madison Mayfield and King Raiden Calhoun were toasted by the royal court of the Krewe of Nereids.

Master of Ceremonies Tish Williams, executive director of the Hancock Chamber, introduced the royal court. Jeremy Burke, representing Bay St. Louis Mayor Mike Favre, presented proclamations to the king and queen declaring Friday "Krewe of Knights Day in the Bay."

The Krewe of Diamondhead enjoyed picture-perfect weather on Saturday for its 2022 Mardi Gras Parade with the theme of "Around the World," led by King Ali'I Ho Nua, Joe Doyle, and Queen Cheryl Doyle. Several other groups



Photo by Geoff Belcher | Sea Coast Echo
The Ray Oyster Marching Club performed during the Mystic Krewe of the Seahorse parade in Bay St. Louis on Monday.

participated in the parade, including the Krewe of Olympus, the Krewe du Shoe, the Krewe of Selene, the Krewe of Kamehameha and the Krewe of Tiki.

The Mystic Krewe of the Seahorse continued the Carnival fun on Monday evening with its annual Lundi Gras parade in Old Town Bay St. Louis.

The Mystic Krewe of the Seahorse, the non-profit that also created the popular "Pirate Day in the Bay" event, celebrates its eighth year with the theme of "Burning Down The House." The 2022 Captain Longbeard, Tim Sanford, is a retired firefighter. Lady Claiborne, Sandy Walsh, is a local realtor.

The Mystic Krewe of the Seahorse takes its name from the famous USS Seahorse in the Battle of Bay St. Louis during the War of 1812. According to history the USS Seahorse fearlessly

sailed into the Bay of St. Louis and single-handedly fought the entire British Armada. Before eventually sinking, the Seahorse was able to disable or sink several British war ships, which delayed the British advance on New Orleans. The delay allowed Andrew Jackson sufficient time to fortify his position and defeat the British at the Battle of New Orleans.

Organized by all volunteers, "this non-profit krewe has really developed well in a short period of time," said Ginny Cabell, marketing chairman. "Our members have helped us brand something very unique. The krewe has enveloped a community, brought in out of town visitors from all fifty states and last year, even across the ocean, and allowed us to

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DH Council says it has no authority to oust Moran after arrest

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The Diamondhead City Council's attorney on Friday issued a statement saying the council is "monitoring the situation" with Councilman Alan Moran's recent arrest, but the council "does not have the authority to force a resignation."

Moran, 34, was arrested on Feb. 14 and charged with one count of simple assault — causing bodily injury; and one count of contributing to the delin-

quency of a child for allegedly "touching" and buying alcohol for a 17-year-old boy.

DH Council attorney Derek Cusick said in the statement Friday that the council "is aware of the arrest," but on his advice, "they are not going to be making any further public comments on the matter as there is an ongoing investigation by the Hancock County Sheriff's

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Hancock Schools superintendent warns parents that vaping is becoming a health menace

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Hancock County School District Superintendent Jennifer Merwin has taken on a new task — convincing the district's students that vaping is bad for their health.

"Vaping is a problem in our community, and it has reached our schools and students as well," Merwin said in a press release this week.

Merwin posted a video to YouTube on the issue, saying vaping has become a problem in the district, from the elementary level all the way up to the high school.

"We do a video series in conjunction with a district publication called Hancock Highlights," Merwin said. "This week's segment is on vaping. Our goal with this segment is to bring an urgent awareness to the problem and provide parents and community members with some quick facts regarding vaping."

Merwin said that several students have been caught vaping, both on school buses and on school grounds.

She said that students have been vaping not only nicotine, but also cannabis-based substances that contain THC and CBD or even "spice."

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County gets "clean" audit

BY CASSANDRA FAVRE
STAFF WRITER

Last week, Ty Necaise, MBA, CPA with Necaise and Company, PLLC presented the FY2020 audit to the Hancock County Board of Supervisors.

"The audit you're getting is an unmodified opinion," he said. "It's a clean report. It basically says your financials are good. We have no modifications to it. We feel like through the audit process that we're able to verify and get reasonably close enough to basically give you a clean letter and a clean report on your audit."

Necaise said that there are several recommendations.

"You have several repeat issues in here as well that would be really nice if we can get them addressed," he said. "One is inventory not recorded. For multiple years now, we've kind of had issues with your inventory system. It would really be good if we could be mindful of doing physical inventories in your departments. Putting eyes on the inventory, coming back behind them, verifying

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Photo by Geoff Belcher | Sea Coast Echo
A tropical themed float rolls through the streets of Diamondhead.

give back to our community in many ways.” The krewe’s monthly meetings include a 50/50 drawing to help various causes in the community. Just to name a few, there is the Bay St. Louis Community Garden, Ruth’s Roots, 4-H Stem Program, King’s Kitch-

en, Brenda’s House, scholarship funds set up for fallen Officer Michael Boutte and Entry Lineman Cayce Seal, and autism room for a nearby school, and Marine Corp. League for veteran services in our area. The Lundi Gras parade is growing each

year and was named a Top Twenty Event or Festival by Southeast Tourism Society, a non-profit organization dedicated to promoting travel and tourism within the twelve neighboring states. The krewe’s Grand Marshal this year was



Photo by Geoff Belcher | Sea Coast Echo
Duke A.J. Frederick IV and Maid Eva Ladner from Holy Trinity Catholic School.

Renee Loranger, Food Network’s 2021 Halloween Baking Championship Grand Prize Winner and entrepreneur of Sugar Pop Baking Company in Waveland. Beginning at 1 p.m. on Fat Tuesday, the Krewe of Real People: The Next Generation was sched-

uled to host its annual Mardi Gras parade in downtown Bay St. Louis, led by King Shaun Piernas and Queen Deven Sharron.

Look for full coverage of that parade at www.seacoastecho.com and in next week’s edition of The Sea Coast Echo.

HCUA to install sewer system at Atlantic Street in Waveland

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The Hancock County Utility Authority has secured GOMESA grant funding to install a sewer system in the Atlantic Street area in Waveland at no charge for the residents, but in order to take advantage of the free hook-up, residents need to give the HCUA written permission to access their property. The agency will host a public meeting on March 10 to answer any questions.

The Gulf of Mexico Energy Security Act (GOMESA) of 2006 created a revenue-sharing model for oil- and gas-producing gulf states. Under the act, Alabama, Louisiana, Mississippi and Texas receive a portion of the revenue generated from oil and gas production offshore in the Gulf of Mexico. The act also directs a portion of revenue to the Land and Water Conservation Fund. “The Hancock County Utility Authority (HCUA) is excited

to announce that it has secured a grant to install a sewer system in your neighborhood,” the HCUA said in a letter going out to residents. “Fortunately, at the current time, you can connect to the sewer system and receive the required equipment and installation to you at no cost (approximately a \$3,000.00 value). HCUA will

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JOB OPPORTUNITY:

The Hancock County Soil & Water Conservation District is accepting resumes for a District Technician. Resumes will be taken until March 14, 2022.

Applications must be able to pass all federal background checks, be computer proficient, and be able to assist in field work. Technician will assist NRCS staff in providing technical assistance to Hancock County landowners. Beginning salary will be approximately \$31,000. High School or GED equivalent.

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Krewe of Diamondhead hosts 47th Annual Mardi Gras Ball



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Krewe of Diamondhead Royal Court from left, Maid Betty Maxwell, Maid Stephanie Jensen, Maid Pam Hense, Maid Mary Mizel, Queen Cheryl Doyle, Ali'I Honua the 47th Joe Doyle, Duke Sid Mizel, Duke Rick Sierveld, Jason Maxwell, Duke Doug Maxwell.

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The Krewe of Diamondhead held its 47th annual Mardi Gras ball with the theme of "Around the World," on February 19, 2022 in the Emerald Ball Room of the Diamondhead Country Club. The Master of ceremonies, Kevin Parrington, was introduced to the theme song from "Send Me on My Way" by Rusted Root.

Once at the podium, Parrington gave a brief history of the Krewe and welcomed all in attendance. The Krewe then stood for the National Anthem, sung by Marilyn Lott.

The visiting royalty were welcomed to the evening festivities; in attendance were Krewe of Selene, Ricky and Tracy Sheppard and Krewe of Olympus, Hawes and Eva Amos.

The officers and directors from the Krewe of Diamondhead were introduced and thanked for their tireless efforts in all business and event functions.

The Captain of the Krewe of Diamondhead, David Sykes arrived into the ballroom to the song, "I'm Your Captain" by Grand Funk.

In preparation of the courts arrival, the Krewe was presented with the Past Kings to the music of "Carnival Time." Returning for the event were 2012 HRH, Ray Sheehy; 2013 HRH, Mickey Hatem; 2019 HRH, Ron Rhoades; 2020 HRH, Scott McNamee and 2021 HRH Kevin Parrington. After the parade of past kings, the Krewe turned their attentions to the reigning court.

The Royal Court treated the Krewe to the Around the World travel as the first stop was in Greece with Duke Doug and Maid Betty Maxwell, wearing traditional Greek blue and entering the ballroom to "Staliala-Stalia." The next stop on the tour was Ireland as Maid Stephanie Jensen wearing lucky Irish green, escorted by Jason Maxwell, river danced their way to the stage to "The Celts." The tour continued on to Mexico

with its rich culture and beautiful landscapes, Duke Rick Sierveld and Maid Pam Hense wearing a beautiful Mexican red, danced their way through the crowd to "Oye Como Va," by Santana.

With the passport stamped the final stop was China showcasing their ancient treasures, the Great Wall and beautiful history, Duke Sid and Maid Mary Mizel, dressed in gold, and captivated the Krewe as they strolled through the ballroom to "Tea Picking Dance."

The Dukes were dressed in tails, top hats and canes while the Maids each wore masks embellished to depict the countries they represented on the tour.

Once the Dukes and Maids took their places on stage, the fanfare sounded to alert the Krewe for the presentation of royalty.

To the traditional music of the Royal March, Her Royal Highness, Queen Cheryl Doyle, made her way into the ballroom wearing a beautiful gold metallic brocade strapless mermaid gown from the Mac Duggal Bustier Collection, which was purchased while vacationing in San Francisco. She wore a beautiful Swarovski Crystal necklace and earrings that were given to her by the King. The Queen was escorted by her eldest grandson, Jacob Coleman Doyle. Attendants for the Queen were her grandchildren, Emmett

Michael Doyle, Finnegan Joseph Doyle and Ellis Jeremiah Doyle.

Waiting with great pride, the court, as well as the Krewe, welcomed Ali'I Honua the 47th, Joe Doyle, to the traditional music, "If I Ever Cease to Love." The King was proudly wearing Charlie Hense's crown from his reign as King of Boaters from 2013 and using Mark Jensen's scepter from his reign as King of Selene from 2012. King Joe wore gold crown studs and cufflinks given to him by his Dukes.

He then took his place, next to his queen and the royal court on stage. The Krewe after cheering on their royalty took their seats.

The King and Queen paid recognition to their special guests, Kevin Doyle and Candace Dickey; Jason and Nicole Doyle; Jacob Doyle and Sherrie Meyer; Bill and Deanne Doyle; Al and Marilyn Lott; Joe and Sharon Laird; Don and Dorothy Thomas; Jim and Janice Pemberton and HRH Kevin Parrington and HRH Sarah Schafer-Parrington.

The Krewe paid respect to the past Queens of Carnival for their reign and continuous service. In attendance were 1996 HRH Alice Burkhardt, 2003 HRH Till Garrison, 2010 HRH Janie Dropco, 2013 HRH Sandy Hatem, 2015 HRH Josette Grace, 2018 HRH Sarah Garcia, 2019 HRH Dinah Rhoades, and 2020 HRH Jamie Morgan and 2021 HRH Sarah Schafer-Parrington.

The entertainment slide show and music were organized and performed by HRH Kevin Parrington and HRH Sarah Schafer-Parrington.

At the conclusion of the entertainment, Ali'I Honua the 47th offered the traditional toast to the Krewe. King Joe and Queen Cheryl led the evening's dancing to the song, "Perfect," by Ed Sheeran and Beyonce. They then asked to be joined by the current court, past kings and

queens and maids and dukes.

The Krewe then enjoyed a fabulous over the top Mardi Gras dinner, prepared by Diamondhead Country Club. Dancing and merriment continued through the evening as the Dr. Rock and the Interns entertained all with their festive tunes.

The DJ for the event was Ron Tallent and the official photographer for the royal court was Penny Majors.

The Krewe will also be planning many events that do not limit themselves to the Mardi Gras season. Events such as dinners, dances and outings of all types will make the Krewe more fun than ever. There has never been a better time to become a member of our Krewe. Memberships to the Krewe will open again in June. Please visit our Facebook page for more information.



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Ali'I honua the 47th Joe Doyle and his Queen Cheryl Doyle.

Opinion

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Totally righteous

“For the love of money is the root of all evil: which while some coveted after, they have erred from the faith, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows,” — KJV 1 Timothy 6:10

The above Bible verse is one of those that I like to acknowledge as one that most ignore when they get on their soap boxes to proclaim that it says this or that in the Bible and this is why he or she must absolutely condemn someone for his or her actions from their gilded stage adorned with designer clothes after coming back from a high-priced vacation using their jet.

Yes, to me, it has always seemed that the majority of Christians LOVE that money.

I grew up in the Southern Baptist faith. And every time you turned around, it seemed church leaders were asking for money, most of the time it was to put towards a building fund.

That whole “if you build it, they will come” mentality is something that I remember quite vividly.

What usually happened is that the leaders bit off more than they could chew and could never get around to building that dream church, much less continue the bank payments.

Oh, we were certainly asked to pray for the sick, the poor, the missionaries, and what not. But what, if any, of that tithe money went to actually helping these people we were asked to pray for?

And just praying alone is such a cop out. I recently saw a quote that read, “A helping hand is better than a mouth that prays.”

Now, now, now, before those pearls get clutched, I am well aware that there are organized church groups that do perform community outreach.

Two of the biggest things that turned me off to organized religion, besides the cover-ups of sexual assaults and other crimes, is televangelists and mega churches.

I recently started watching “The Righteous Gemstones” on HBO. But that’s not the first time I’ve seen the behavior of the televangelist played on the big screen.

I saw the movie “Leap of Faith” with Steve Martin when I was in my teens. He played an

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Hancock History: The Timber Industry



HANCOCK HISTORY
By James Keating
M.D.

The timber industry became the dominate sector of the economy in the latter Nineteenth Century. But in the late colonial period, wood-cutting was done inefficiently with axes, wedges, and simple hand saws. More effective was the crosscut saw which came into common use in Hancock County in the early decades of the Nineteenth Century. Early sawmills employed a sawpit or an elevated trestle six-or-seven-feet high to make lumber products from logs.

A sawpit was a deep six-foot trench dug un-

der the cutting site. One sawyer was placed in the pit below the surface of the ground or under a trestle holding on to the handle at one end of the long crosscut blade. A second sawyer was poised above the log or piece of wood to be cut holding the handle at the other end of the saw. Later, around 1830, sawing machines using vertically oriented crosscut saws, were employed powered by water, horses, or mules. After 1840, the steam engine-driven circular saw blade transformed the timber industry because it afforded greater efficiency and productivity in sawing wood. Thus, the Pioneer Era of the timber industry occurred from 1840-1890. Later, the Sawmill Era (1890-1930) produced enormous amounts of forest products such as lumber, staves, and shingles. In that era, productivity was greatly enhanced by the dummy lines, small gage railroads to transport logs to the giant

mills from sites in the forest all over the county where the trees were cut down.

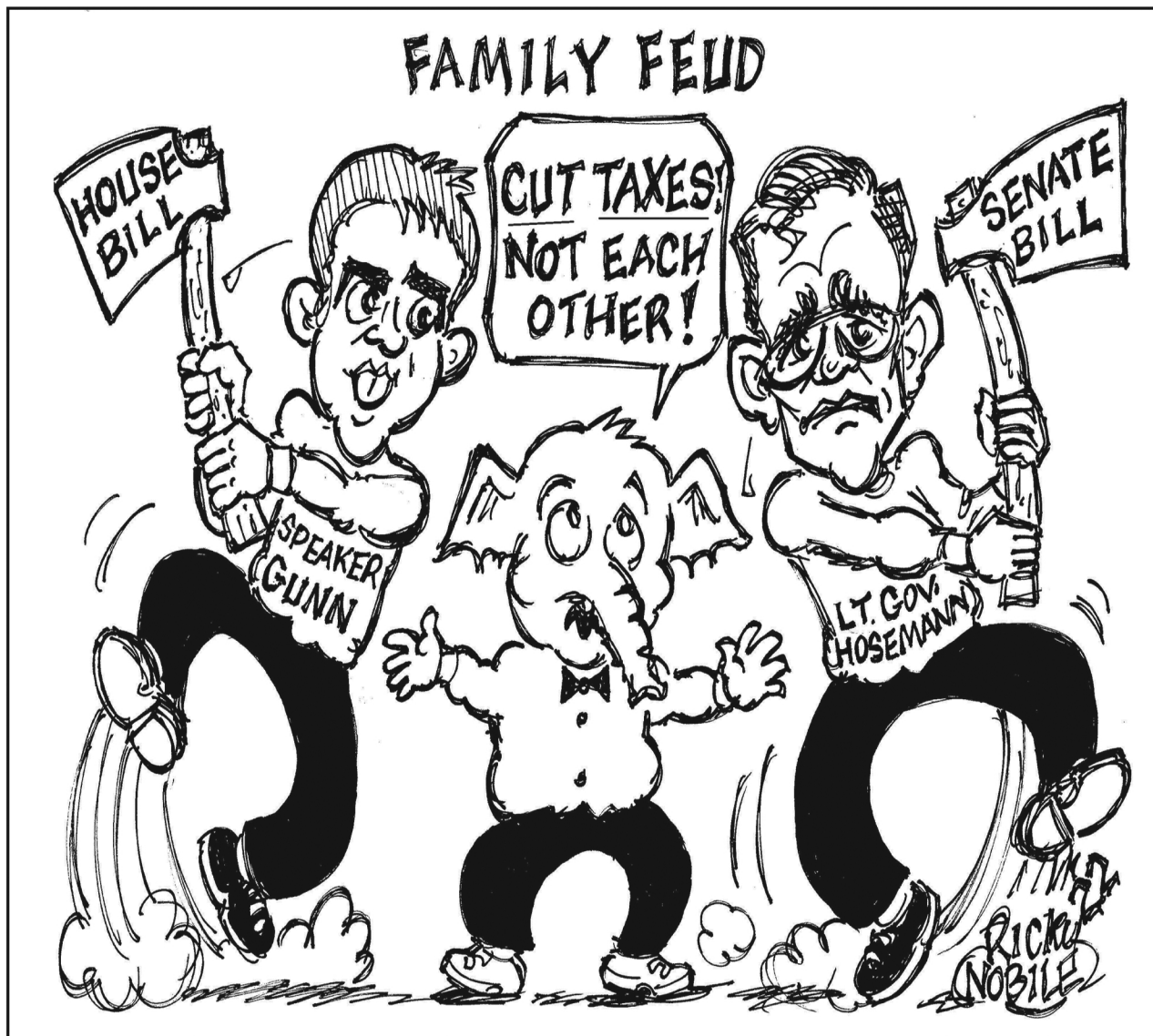
Four Saucier families were some of the first permanent settlers of the Wolf River and Shieldsboro communities. In 1810, after President Madison annexed West Florida, Dr. William Flood was sent to Hancock County to appoint Simon Favre Justice of the Peace for the Pearl River area. He then sailed to Shieldsboro and appointed Phillip Saucier Justice of the Peace for the communities around the Bay of St. Louis.

Pierre Moran III (1784-1845) settled on the Wolf River (Delisle) with a Spanish land grant in 1796. The aforementioned Sauciers had preceded the Morans and other French families who were migrating to the Wolf River and Jourdan River neighborhoods. The Ladner and Cuevas families originally raised cows on Cat Island. Their descen-

dants settled all along the Gulf Coast. In the DeLisle and Kiln areas the Sauciers were soon joined by other early French Catholic settlers with names such as Nicaise (Nicaise), Lizana, Dedeaux, Cassidry, Lasabbe, Toulme, and Favre. The descendants of these families intermarried and had large families, many of whom still live in Hancock County.

During the 1820’s and 1830’s, a custom house operated in Shieldsboro. Timber products were subject to tariffs before they were exported to Cuba, Mexico, and Texas. By 1840, there were at least ten sawmills in Hancock County. The Saucier and Toulme families intermarried and John B. Toulme (c. 1795-1867) owned a sawmill in partnership with D.R. Walker in the Pearl River area. William “Captain Bill”

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MS House Weekly Summary : Week of February 21

This was the eighth week of the 2022 Legislative Session. Wednesday, Feb. 23 marked the deadline for original floor action on House appropriations and revenue bills. The Appropriations committee considered most budget bills last week, but the Ways and Means committee took up several revenue bills to meet this week’s deadline.

The Pregnancy Resource Act (House Bill 1685) would authorize a tax credit for individuals or businesses who donate money to a nonprofit that operates as a crisis pregnancy center. The bill passed with a bipartisan vote of 115-0.

House Bill 1530 would provide bond money to match federal funds in the Water Pol-



Guest Column

By State Representative Brent Anderson

lution Control Revolving Fund. HB 1530 passed 112-8 and has been sent to the Senate.

Two different bills would allow income tax credits for certain entities. House Bill 1108 would authorize an income tax credit for cer-

tain railroad reconstruction and/or replacement expenditures. House Bill 1684 would authorize an income tax credit for qualified wood energy products and forest maintenance projects. Both bills passed the House and have been sent to the Senate for consideration.

House Bill 1564 would authorize county or municipal leaders to grant a partial ad valorem tax exemption for nonresidential property that is being converted to residential property. The bill passed unanimously by a vote of 119-0.

Certain highway projects around the state would be funded by bond money in House Bill 1686. This bond bill passed 116-3.

House Bill 1639 would impose a tax on

motor vehicles charged at alternative-fuel stations, most notably electric vehicles. This tax would be similar to taxes already imposed on gasoline and diesel vehicles. The bill passed the House by a vote of 102-14 and has been sent to the Senate. Many of these revenue bills include a “reverse repealer” clause, meaning that these bills will go to conference for further revision before the end of the session.

Committees began to meet again this week to discuss Senate bills. Over the next few weeks, Senate bills will come out of House committees and onto the House floor

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Arrest Record

The following is a list of arrests logged at the Hancock County justice facility from the past week. Appearance on the jail log is not indicative of guilt, merely a record that an arrest has been made.

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Daniel J. Spiers, 36, contempt of court failure to appear

Raymond B. Mills, 31, simple domestic violence simple assault

Annette M. Knight, 65, shoplifting

Tre A. Brown, 27, disturbance of family, indecent exposure, abusive language

Carlos F. Ruiz-Aleman, 44, DUI

Lashay L. Lebo, 25, contempt of court failure to appear (payment hearing); contempt failure to appear

Dakota S. Bernos, 23, no drivers license or expired; no motor vehicle insurance; seat belt violation

Arthur D. Johnson, 45, burglary; contempt failure to appear (judgment NISI) x 2; contempt failure to appear x 3

Brian D. Easley, 32, disorderly conduct by explosions, noises, or offensive conduct

Joel D. Martin, 35, assault, aggravated domestic violence

Blake A. Nicholson, 19, burglary

William Willis, Jr.,

40, contempt failure to appear

Cory S. Rogers, 29, contempt failure to appear

John J. Santiago, 39, receiving stolen property

Wendy G. Rowton, 51, contempt of court violation of protective order or court approved consent agreement

Denio M. Cruz, 55, controlled substance trafficking

Frank J. Peralta, 37, contempt of court failure to appear x 2

Juliette M. Cuccia, 57, burglary

Joshua P. Johnson, Sr., 34, burglary

Raul Tlaxcala-Ixmutlahua, 24, hold for ICE

Blake E. Scheel, 29, probation violation; grand larceny

Monica D. Crawford, 50, controlled substance to sell, barter transfer, manufacture, distribute, dispense or possess with intent to sell, barter transfer, manufacture, distribute, dispense x 2

Matthew A. Matranga, 32, simple domestic violence simple assault

Melisa R. McMorris, 48, hold for other agency

Cash W. Socia, 27, trespass; contempt of court failure to appear

Linda A. Barron, 46, false identifying information; no drivers license or expired; seat belt violation

Anne M. Spiers, 40, contempt of court failure to appear

Bonnie S. Anderson, 53, shoplifting; misdemeanor possession of controlled substance; probation violation

Gabriel S. Thomas, 30, contempt of court failure to appear x 2; driving with suspended or revoked license

Marcus A. Tatum, 33, disorderly conduct; simple assault; parole violation

Austin S. McAlpin, 18, contempt of court failure to appear

Dakota L. Peterson, 18, probation violation

William Fitch, 60, DUI 2nd conviction; alcohol open container

Shane J. Fontana, 22, contempt of court failure to appear

John D. Smith, 35, probation violation

Brittany N. Landry, 26, contempt of court failure to appear

Jordan W. Goff, 24, evasion failure to stop vehicle; no proof-of-liability insurance; possession of marijuana or synthetic cannabinoids in a motor vehicle; seat belt violation; felony possession of controlled substance; failure to yield right of way; disorderly conduct

Brandy M. Forrester, 47, controlled substance or counterfeit substance

violations

Henry G. Martinez-Martinez, 34, hold for ICE

Julian D. Jackson, 24, contempt failure to appear; suspended license

David H. Spiers, 36, disorderly conduct; drunkenness/profanity in public place

Marquez Q. Williams, 19, no drivers license or expired; no motor vehicle insurance; careless driving; DUI 2nd conviction

Amanda M. Aucoin, 37, contempt of court failure to appear

Jonathan O. Alexander, Sr., 44, possession of paraphernalia; misdemeanor possession of controlled substance; contempt of court failure to appear

Abby W. Brown, 31, DUI 1st offense

William J. Karkowski, 35, filing false police report

Tyrone L. Green, 31, shoplifting; simple assault x 2; disturbance in public place

Melody K. Pope, 18, careless driving; felony possession of controlled substance

Hope R. Bradley, 54, contempt of court failure to appear

Shari M. Barrere, 60, DUI; possession of paraphernalia; resisting arrest

Paul M. Fink, 48, DUI 1st offense

Jeremy G. Ratcliff, 45, hold for other agency

Donnie M. Diket, Jr., 22, possession of marijuana (1-30 grams) while operating a motor vehicle; no drivers license or expired; no motor vehicle insurance

Clarissa A. Miley, 29, careless driving; speeding; no drivers license or expired; no motor vehicle insurance

Dante L. Pascual, 24, contempt failure to appear

Reuben H. Givens, 46, simple domestic violence simple assault

Tameka M. Robertson, 27, contempt of court failure to appear; credit card fraudulent use w/internet to obtain money, etc., petit larceny

Eugenae A. Dapremont, 35, contempt failure to appear

Larry D. Carter, III, 31, shoplifting

Richard M. Brown, 55, DUI 1st offense; contempt of court failure to appear (payment hearing)

Wendy L. McGinnis, 59, simple domestic violence simple assault

Charles H. Smith, Jr., 41, DUI 1st offense; leaving scene of accident involving only vehicular; disorderly conduct

Robreka J. Sullivan, 27, controlled substance to sell, barter transfer, manufacture, distrib-

ute, dispense, or possess with intent to sell, barter transfer, manufacture, distribute, dispense; misdemeanor possession of controlled substance; possession of weapon by felon

Reannon A. Dumond, 43, misdemeanor possession of controlled substance

Bailie N. Simon, 21, failure to yield right of way emergency vehicles; disorderly conduct; possession of marijuana (1-30 grams) while operating a motor vehicle; speeding; no motor vehicle insurance; no tag; no drivers license or expired

Barbara S. Guillory, 60, contempt of court failure to appear

Roneisha R. Shockley, 36, hindering prosecution or apprehension definition of criminal assistance

Brandan S. Necaise, 27, DUI 1st offense

Christopher L. Shockley, 38, felony possession of controlled substance; false identifying information

Otis Jones, 58, contempt of court failure to appear x 2

Glenn A. Cason, 62, DUI

Donald J. Anderson, 49, DUI; possession of paraphernalia

Chad A. Asher, 24, *no charges listed

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Obituaries

- ERMA LEE CARTER GRIFFIN
 - ROBERT (POPS) VONTOURE
 - ELENAMARIE LORENZA LUCORE

ERMA LEE CARTER GRIFFIN

“And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself,” John 14:3

Sister Erma Lee Carter Griffin was born on December 20, 1924, to the late Will and Ruby Carter in Logtown, MS. On Tuesday, February 22, 2022, God called one of his strong and faithful servant home at the age of 97.

Sister Erma was educated at Booker T. Washington High School and attended Delgado Community College in New Orleans, LA. She was employed at Mercy Hospital in New Orleans, LA, for several years and worked a second job at Home Health Services in Metairie, Louisiana until she retired.

Sister Erma Lee was united in holy matrimony to Willie Griffin, Sr. on August 9, 1947. To this union only one son was born, Willie Griffin Jr. She loved and adored her son. She became a Den mother of the Club C Scout Troop #126 and #475. She and her family lived in a neighborhood of New Orleans called, “Hollygrove” where everyone loved and looked

out for her, calling her Mrs. Griffin.

Sister Erma was a faithful member of Stronger Hope Baptist Church for many years and served in several capabilities such as Sunday School teacher, mission committee, and she helped with the communion. She was also a member of the Eastern Star.

Due to her health issues, Sister Erma moved in to live with her great niece and nephew, Frances and Ozie O’Neal, who took care of her for over 8 years, until her demise. Erma was a wonderful woman who loved and lived life to the fullest. She loved traveling and spending time with family and friends. Erma was always there to brighten the lives of others. “To know her was to love her”.

Sister Erma was preceded in death by her parents Will and Ruby Carter, her husband Willie Griffin, Sr., sisters: Christena Brown and Calvinia Bowens, brothers: Leander Carter, Willie Lee Carter, Robert (Candy) Carter, Alton (Bay) Carter, Larry Carter, Melvin Young and Arian Robertson.

She leaves to cherish her memories, her



son, Willie Griffin, Jr. and grandson, Keiane (Tyrina) Griffin, two granddaughters: Aries Robertson and Montellica Johnson, five great-grandchildren: Keinoy Griffin, Keyon Griffin, Deshay Dothard, Legacy Dothard, Kevin Ford, four brothers: Bobby (DeLisa-L) Carter, James Acker, Oscar Carter, and Darrow Carter, two sisters: Rene Barney and Theresa Carter, and a host of relatives, friends, nieces, nephews, and cousins. She will truly be missed.

Funeral service will be held at Stronger Hope Baptist Church, 2401 South Galvez Street, New Orleans, La., March 3, 2022, at 10:00 am. Visitation is from 9:00 a.m.—10:00 a.m. Rev. Nicholas K. Derouen will officiate the service. Interment will be in Picayune Cemetery, Picayune, MS.

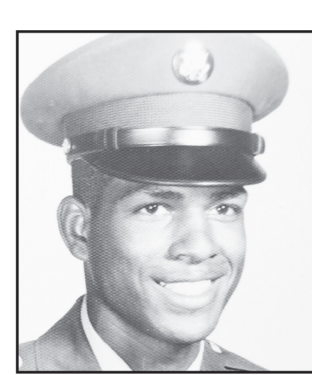
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ROBERT (POPS) VONTOURE

Mr. Robert (Pops) Vontoure, son of Willie and Altra Mae Vontoure (Saucier) was born February 19, 1945, in Bay Saint Louis Mississippi, and died on February 4, 2022.

Robert is preceded in death by his wife Mary Holmes Vontoure; father, Willie Vontoure; mother, Altra Mae Saucier; and brother, William Vontoure.

His life will forever be cherished by his partner, Alice; Mr. Vontoure leaves to carry on his legacy three daughters, June Vontoure, Jevette Vontoure, and Deidra Peters (Rhett), and one son, Robert (Paco) Vontoure (Shulounda). He also leaves behind nine grandchildren, Errol Vontoure, Domonique Jones, Demetrius Jones, Bruce Jones, Christian Reynoso-Vontoure, Rhett J. Peters, Jordan



Vontoure, Tyson Peters, and Hayla Vontoure, and nine great-grandchildren; as well as a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives, and friends

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"Our district has had to call for emergency medical services on a few occasions," Merwin said. "This problem is one that will require the entire community to become involved."

She asked parents to help fight the trend.

"We cannot do this alone," Merwin said. "You are the first line of defense." Merwin said that if students are found with vapes that contains illegal substances, narcotics officers of the Hancock County Sheriff's Office will be notified. "We are closely working with the Hancock County Sheriff's department on prevention and solutions," Merwin said.

ELENAMARIE LORENZA LUCORE

ElenaMarie Lorenza Lucore, 19, passed away after a tragic accident on February 22, 2022 in Western Massachusetts, where she was a student at The University of Massachusetts Amherst.

She was a freshman at the Isenberg School of Management (Business) and a member of the Isenberg Women in Business. She was also a pledge of the Iota Gamma Upsilon sorority on campus. Elena attended school locally, including Holy Trinity Catholic School and Coast Episcopal School and she was a proud 2021 graduate of Our Lady Academy.

Elena was born in Malacatán, Guatemala, but was brought home to Bay St Louis, MS at 5 months of age. She joined three excited older brothers to make their household complete. As she grew older, it became apparent who ruled the house, which should be no surprise to anyone who knew Elena.

Elena was a talented artist and took lessons for many years. She was a member of the National Art Honor Society at OLA. She was also a member of OLA's State Championship Archery team in 2021. Elena was a kind and compassionate young woman who

enjoyed helping others in the community and elsewhere. Elena had a great love of animals and volunteered at the South Mississippi Humane Society for many years while in high school. She participated in the Rotary's Interact Club in school and helped with many community projects. One of Elena's proudest accomplishments was her involvement in the Dos Amigos Dental and Medical Mission to Belize in 2019. Her maturity and desire to work hard to help the people of the villages they visited drew great praise from the others in the mission, and she forged great new friends during her time there.

Elena will best be remembered for her ever-smiling face and eyes and infectious laugh that allowed everyone to share in the great joy that was deep within her.

She is preceded in death by her great grandmother Mercedes Livaudais Wilkinson, her grandfather George Yarbrough and her grandmother Barbara Lucore. Elena is survived by her grandfather Richard Lucore of Santa Rosa, CA and grandmother Ann Yarbrough of Diamond-



head, MS, her parents, Peter and Laura Lucore of Bay St. Louis, MS and three brothers, Andrew (Kasey), James and Christopher. She is also survived by numerous aunts, uncles and cousins.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made to Dos Amigos Dental/Medical Mission to Belize at dosamigos.org, or to Mayan Families, to help with education and nutrition for native Guatemalan families at mayan-families.org

Services will be held at Christ Episcopal Church in Bay St Louis on Thursday March 3. Visitation at 1 p.m., services at 2 p.m. Reception to follow. Private interment at St. Mary's Cemetery following.

Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis, MS is honored to serve the Lucore family.

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THEY SAY THERE IS A REASON

They say there is a reason,
They say that time will heal,
But neither time nor reason.
Will change the way we feel,
For no-one knows the heartache,
That lies behind our smiles,
No-one knows how many times,
We have broken down and cried,
We want to tell you something
So there won't be any doubt,
You're so wonderful to think of,
But so hard to be without.

-Author Unknown-

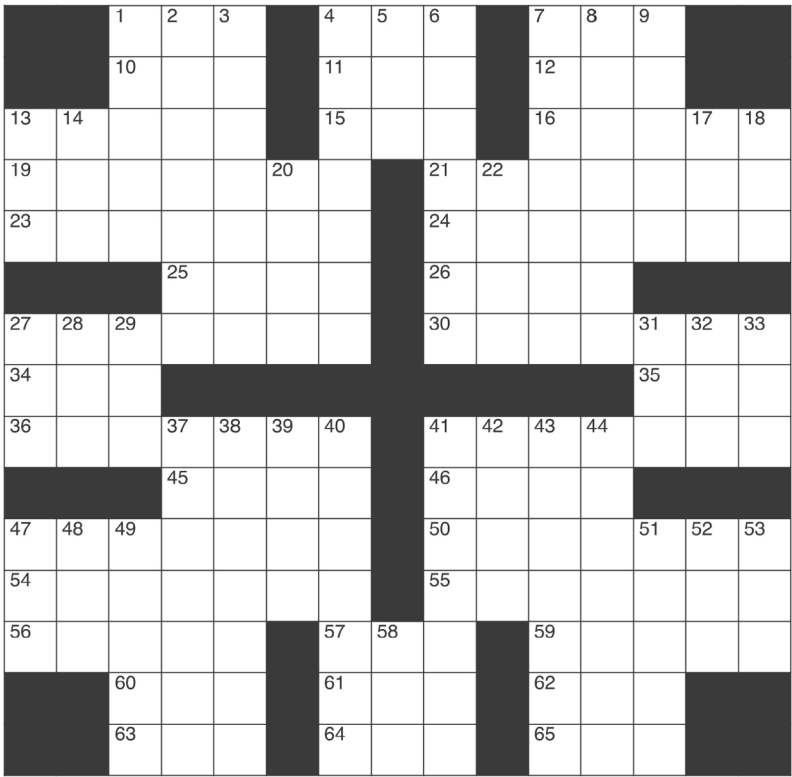
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CLUES ACROSS

1. Central mail bureau
4. Member of the family
7. Partner to flow
10. __ Angeles
11. Military mailbox
12. Patriotic women
13. Shallow lake
15. Tear apart
16. Middle Easterner
19. Eat to excess
21. Stained
23. Certain peoples of equatorial Africa
24. 1st day of month
25. Skin disease
26. Skating figure
27. Annelids
30. Gracefully slender
34. Kids need it

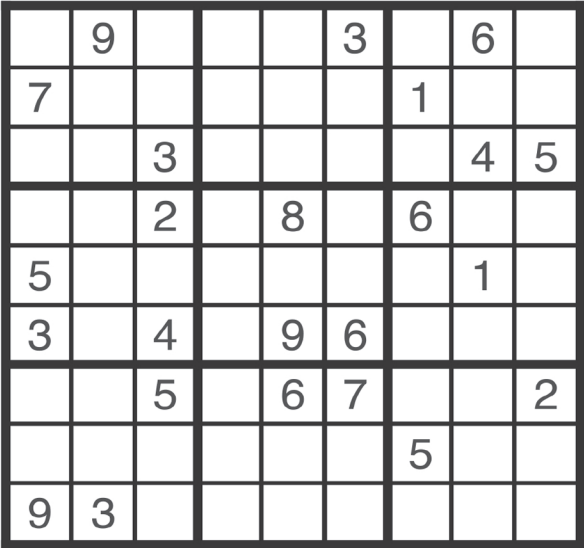
35. Swiss river
36. Indents
41. A sheer fabric of silk or nylon
45. Belgian River
46. __ Spumante (Italian wine)
47. Originate from
50. Rugged mountain ranges
54. Made less clean
55. Professions
56. 3s
57. Scarf
59. Yellow light
60. Bird noise
61. Opposite of start
62. Bar bill
63. Northeastern Mass. cape
64. American rocker Snider
65. Midway between northeast and east

CLUES DOWN

1. Scandinavian drink
2. Washington river
3. Fast-running flightless bird
4. Nerve conditions
5. Indicates near
6. Immediate relevance
7. Things you can eat
8. Receptacles
9. Retired Brewers great
13. Month
14. Happy New Year!
17. Exclamation to convey truth
18. Passports and licenses are two
20. Ebert’s partner Siskel
22. Long skirt
27. Part of company name
28. Drugmaker __ Lilly
29. Electronic countermeasures
31. Klutz

32. Chinese statesman
33. Stir with emotion
37. Flat-bottomed boat
38. Go-between
39. This (Spanish)
40. A plot of ground where seedlings are grown before transplanting
41. Small waterfall
42. Modern tech necessity (abbr.)
43. Utter repeatedly
44. One of the bravest
47. Sun up in New York
48. Space station
49. Chilean seaport
51. Hasidic spiritual leader
52. They __
53. Soviet Socialist Republic
58. Single unit

SUDOKU



Level: Intermediate



1. What is the name of the dog that always chased Tom in Tom & Jerry?
2. Who wrote “To Kill a Mockingbird”?
3. How long did it take to build the Great Wall of China?
4. Which is the tallest building in the world?
5. What year did World War 2 begin?

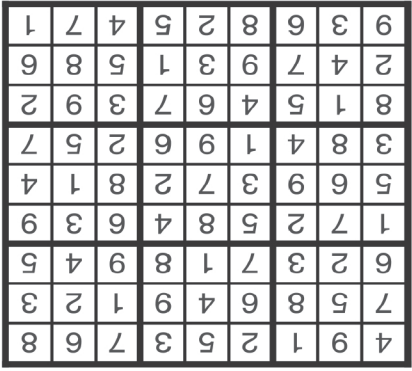
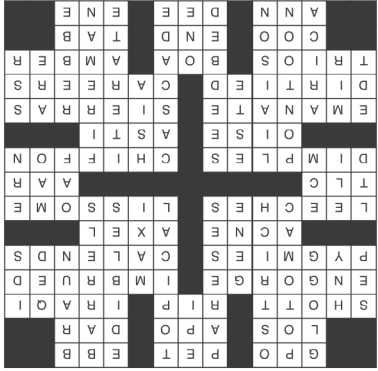
HEARING LOSS WORD SEARCH



Find the words hidden vertically, horizontally, diagonally, and backwards.

WORDS

- ACQUIRED
- AUDITORY
- CANAL
- COCHLEA
- CONDUCTIVE
- CONGENITAL
- DEAF
- EAR
- EARDRUM
- HEARING
- INNER
- LOSS
- MIDDLE
- MILD
- MODERATE
- NEUROPATHY
- OSSICLES
- OUTER
- PINNA
- PROFOUND
- PROGRESSIVE
- SENSORINEURAL
- SEVERE
- SUDDEN



5. 1939
4. BURY KHALIFA
3. OVER 2,000 YEARS
2. HARPER LEE
1. SPIKE
- ANSWERS:
- BRAIN TEASE
- by Nathan Schaefer



Devotional Page

By **REV. C. GERALD RICHARDSON, D. MIN**

Lenten Reflections



C. Gerald Richardson, D. Min.

We are currently living in what is known in liturgical language as the season of Lent. It is the time when churches in the Christian tradition remember that Jesus

lived out of the passion of his life and moved toward his ultimate destination and purpose. It is a reminder that we all have the capacity of moving toward a meaningful purpose, and that our pursuit of it is among the most important efforts which can be made.

This season in the Christian faith somewhat corresponds with the Jewish remembrance of Passover when the angel of God was said to have passed

by the homes of people who had followed the instruction to post the blood of a sacrificed lamb to their doorposts.

Of course, we live in a different period of history. The ancient stories of faith and practice seem quaint to many people today, and in some ways they are. However, they do possess a certain kind of power. They remind us of important truths in the human condition. Among them are the realities of lived experience. We are fallible

beings. We sometimes stray from our better nature, or perhaps our nature is underdeveloped. In either case Lent serves as a reminder of our limitations, and it provides an opportunity for reflection on the more profound issues in life.

One of the great truths of Judeo-Christian faith is that there is hope at the heart of our existence. We trust in a power which is deeply embedded within us, and we live in light of

that trust. This does not promise a specific outcome, but it is a commitment to the notion that whatever the outcome, we are not alone. Scripture declares that greater is that which is within us than that which is in the world. This is a hope which the Lenten observance can nurture and encourage.

Mystery is obviously a part of such an understanding. This is difficult for many people to embrace, and to be honest, it is not easy for most

of us. As we engage in this Lenten journey may we give thanks for the occasion afforded us in these days to meditate on the mysteries of life. Let us look deeply within ourselves to discover the power which resides there along with the grace to sustain us amid the challenges which come. Lent is not only a time of personal reflection and evaluation, but it is also a time of deep gratitude. May it lead us to remember our hope and be thankful.

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467-7667

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Bayou Talla Fellowship
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255-1118

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7547 Hancock Dr.
Bayside Park | 467-0500

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2241 Longfellow Rd. | BSL
467-2186
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25305 Cuevas DeLisle Rd
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Lakeshore | 469-0110

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Kiln | 493-1789

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Bay St. Louis | 467-6509

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Pass Christian | 255-7453 or
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Diamondhead 255-9213

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Bay St. Louis | 466-4951

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Bay St. Louis | 467-4488

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493-9944

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First United Pentecostal
Old Spanish Trail, Waveland
467-3575

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295 Hwy. 90, Suite 12,
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School, 9 a.m.

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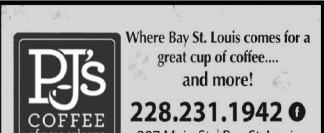
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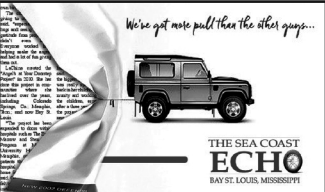
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SUPERINTENDENT 200 N. SECOND STREET, BAY ST LOUIS, MISSISSIPPI, 39520 UNTIL 2:00 P.M. ON MONDAY, MARCH 7, 2022, AND EACH SHALL BE SUBMITTED ON THE BID PROPOSAL FORM WHICH MAY BE OBTAINED FROM THE OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT. THE SCHOOL BOARD RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REJECT ANY AND ALL BIDS AND TO WAIVE ANY IRREGULARITIES IN THE BIDS. IN ORDER TO BE CONSIDERED EACH SEALED BID SHALL HAVE "DEPOSITORY BID" WRITTEN OR TYPED ON FRONT OF THE SEALED ENVELOPE. CASEY FAYRE, PRESIDENT BOARD OF TRUSTEES DR. SANDRA REED, SUPERINTENDENT BAY ST. LOUIS – WAVELAND SCHOOL DISTRICT 02/23/22, 03/02/22

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF HAROLD CHARLES CHESTNUT, SR., DECEASED HAROLD CHESTNUT, JR., PETITIONER CAUSE NO. :23CHI-21-cv-00606-JS SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

TO: Any and all unknown heirs-at-law of Harold Charles Chestnut, Sr., deceased whose place of residence, street and post office address are unknown to Petitioner after diligent search and inquiry. You have been made a Defendant in a Petition to Determine Heirs filed in this Court by Harold Chestnut, Jr., Petitioner, seeking the determination of heirs at law of Harold Charles Chestnut, Sr., deceased. Defendants other than you in this action are: any person with a claim as an heir-at-law or wrongful death beneficiary of Harold Charles Chestnut, Sr.

You are summoned to appear and defend against the complaint or petition filed against you in this action at 9:30 o'clock a.m. on the 31st day of March, 2022, in the courtroom of the Harrison County Courthouse, in Biloxi, Mississippi (730 Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Blvd, Biloxi, MS 39530), and in case of your failure to appear and defend, a judgment will be entered against you for the money or other things demanded in the complaint or petition. You are not required to file an answer or pleading but you may do so if you desire. ISSUED under my hand and the seal of said Court, this the 18th day of February, 2022.

Timothy A. Kellar, Hancock County Chancery Clerk s/Cassie Tribble, D.C. Publication Dates: 02/23/22, 03/02/22, 03/09/22

REQUEST FOR QUALIFIED CONTRACTORS FOR EMERGENCY POWER RESTORATION COAST ELECTRIC POWER ASSOCIATION

Coast Electric Power Association is requesting information for qualified businesses that would be interested in providing service for our electric distribution system during a major power outage disaster. This includes system restoration/construction, right-of-way clearing, and substation restoration. Please submit the name of the company, contact person, phone number, and address as soon as possible. Companies interested should also provide qualifications and a list of references if applicable. contracting@coastepa.com Coast Electric reserves the right to award based on "best value" and Coast Electric reserves the right to award contract to other than lowest price offered. Coast Electric Power Association is an equal opportunity employer and provider. 02/23/22, 03/02/22

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ELIZABETH S. HOLLEMAN, Deceased IRBY NEILL McINNIS, III, Executor CAUSE NO. 22-64-JP NOTICE TO CREDITORS Notice is hereby given that Letters Testamentary in the Estate of Elizabeth S. Holleman, Deceased, were granted to the undersigned by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, on the 16th day of February, 2022, and all persons having claims against said Estate are hereby notified to present their claims to the Clerk of said Court and to have them probated and allowed within ninety (90) days from the date of the first publication of this notice, failure to do so will bar the claim.

This the 18th day of February, 2022. s/Irby Neill McInnis, III IRBY NEILL McINNIS, III, Executor G. Martin Warren, Jr. Miss. Bar No. 8889 SCIALDONE LAW FIRM, PLLC 1319 24th Avenue Gulfport, Mississippi 39501 228/822-9340 PUBLISH: 02/23/22, 03/02/22, 03/09/22

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY MISSISSIPPI IN THE ESTATE OF VIOLET ANN KENNEDY LILJEDAH, DECEASED DALE PATRICK LILJEDAH, EXECUTOR CIVIL ACTION NO. 22-45(OP) NOTICE TO CREDITORS Notice is hereby given that Letters Testamentary on the Estate of Violet Ann Kennedy Liljedahl, deceased, were granted to the undersigned by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, on the 10th day of February, 2022 and all persons having claim against said Estate are hereby notified to present their claims to the Clerk of said Court and to have them probated and allowed within ninety days from the date of the first publication of this notice, failure to do so will bar the claim.

This the 21st day of February, 2022. Dale Patrick Liljedahl as Executor of the Estate of Violet Ann Kennedy Liljedahl Salloum Law Firm, PLLC By: s/ Teal Salloum Kaleel "Teal" Salloum, Jr., Attorney for the Estate of Violet Ann Kennedy Liljedahl SALLOUM LAW FIRM, PLLC Ms. Bar No. 9195 Post Office Box 1717 Gulfport, Mississippi 39502 (228) 863-6727 03/02/22, 03/09/22, 03/16/22

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF THAIS BLASINI INDOVINA, DECEASED BRADLEY W. RATH PETITIONER NO.22-cv-0006-JS NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Letters of Administration With Will Annexed having been granted on the 24th day of January, 2022, by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned Administrator upon the Estate of Thais Blasini Indovina, Deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the clerk of this court for probate and registration according to the law within ninety (90) days from the first publication of this notice or they will be forever barred. This the 22nd day of February, 2022. /s/ Bradley W. Rath, Administrator With Will Annexed Published: 03/02/22, 03/09/22, 03/16/22

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF THAIS BLASINI INDOVINA, DECEASED BRADLEY W. RATH PETITIONER NO.22-cv-0006-JS SUMMONS THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI TO: THE UNKNOWN HEIRS AT LAW OF THAIS BLASINI INDOVINA, DECEASED, WHOSE NAMES AND ADDRESSES ARE UNKNOWN BY THE PLAINTIFF IN THIS CAUSE AFTER DILIGENT SEARCH AND INQUIRY You have been made a Defendant in the suit filed in this Court by Bradley W. Rath, Administrator With Will Annexed, seeking to

establish the heirs at law of the said THAIS BLASINI INDOVINA. Defendants other than you in this case are all other heirs at law of THAIS BLASINI INDOVINA. You are summoned to appear and defend against said complaint or petition at 9:30 o'clock A. M. on the 6TH DAY OF APRIL, 2022, in the courtroom of the Harrison County Courthouse in Gulfport, Mississippi, and in the case of your failure to appear and defend a judgment by default will be entered against you for the money or other relief demanded in the complaint or petition. You are not required to file an answer or other pleading but you may do so if you desire.

Issued under my hand and seal of said Court, this the 22nd day of February, 2022. TIMOTHY KELLAR, CHANCERY CLERK By: /s/ Cassie Tribble Deputy Clerk Publication Dates: 03/02/22, 03/09/22, 03/16/22

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF THAIS BLASINI INDOVINA, DECEASED BRADLEY W. RATH PETITIONER NO.22-cv-0006-JS SUMMONS THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI TO: The Heirs at Law of Thais Blasini Indovina, Deceased You have been made a Defendant in the Petition filed in this Court by Bradley W. Rath, Administrator With Will Annexed, seeking to establish the heirs at law of the said Thais Blasini Indovina. Defendants other than you in this case are all other heirs at law of Thais Blasini Indovina.

You are required to mail or hand deliver a written response to the Petition filed against you in this action to Bradley W. Rath, Attorney for the Petitioner, whose post office address and street address is 232 DeBuys Road, Biloxi, Mississippi, 39501. YOUR RESPONSE MUST BE MAILED OR DELIVERED NOT LATER THAN THIRTY DAYS AFTER THE 2ND DAY OF MARCH, 2022, WHICH IS THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS SUMMONS. IF YOUR RESPONSE IS NOT SO MAILED OR DELIVERED, A JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT WILL BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE MONEY OR OTHER RELIEF DEMANDED IN THE PETITION. You must also file the original of your Response with the Clerk of this Court within a reasonable time afterward.

Issued under my hand and seal of said Court, this the 22nd day of February, 2022. TIMOTHY KELLAR, CHANCERY CLERK By: /s/ Cassie Tribble Deputy Clerk Publication dates: 03/02/22, 03/09/22, 03/16/22

AN ORDINANCE 653-02-2022 OF THE CITY OF BAY ST. LOUIS, MISSISSIPPI GRANTING A NON-EXCLUSIVE FRANCHISE TO TELEPAK NETWORKS, INC. TO LAY, CONSTRUCT, MAINTAIN, REPLACE, REPAIR, AND OPERATE FIBER OPTIC CABLE AND APPURTENANT TELECOMMUNICATIONS FACILITIES IN, UNDER, OVER, AND ACROSS AND ALONG ALL STREETS, AVENUES, ALLEYS, HIGHWAYS, ROADS, BRIDGES, VIADUCTS AND PUBLIC PLACES IN THE CITY OF BAY ST. LOUIS, MISSISSIPPI WHEREAS, Telepak Networks, Inc. dba C Spire Fiber ("Telepak"), is a Mississippi corporation, incorporated or organized, among other things for the purpose of constructing telephone lines and furnishing intrastate telecommunications services in the State of Mississippi. Telepak obtained a certificate of public convenience and necessity to provide such telecommunications services in Mississippi on October 14, 1999, in Mississippi Public Service Commission Docket No. 99-UA-621; and

WHEREAS, Telepak is in the process of constructing certain telecommunications facilities as authorized by the Mississippi Public Service Commission in Docket No. 99-UA-621. A portion of these facilities will be located within the city limits of Bay St. Louis, Mississippi; and WHEREAS, Section 77-9-711 of the Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended, grants companies such as Telepak the authority to construct telecommunications facilities along and across public highways and streets, but not in a manner so as to be dangerous to persons or property or to unreasonably interfere with the common use of such highways and streets; and WHEREAS, Section 77-9-713 of the Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended, authorizes the City of Bay St. Louis, Mississippi the authority to regulate the manner in which such facilities shall be constructed and maintained along and within the rights-of-way of the municipality's streets; and WHEREAS, the City of Bay St. Louis, Mississippi does hereby find and adjudicate that the incorporated proposal of Telepak for the operation of a telecommunications facility in Bay St. Louis, Mississippi is in the best interest of the citizens of the City of Bay St. Louis, Mississippi and that the following franchise agreement is reasonable and in the best interests of the City of Bay St. Louis, Mississippi. The City of Bay St. Louis, Mississippi is authorized under the provisions of Sections 21-27-1, 21-13-3, and 77-9-713 of the Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended, to grant the franchise and the ordinance should be adopted.

The full agreement, is available at the Bay Saint Louis City Council Office located at 688 Hwy 90, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520. SO ORDAINED, this the 8th day of February, 2022. Councilman Knoblock moved the adoption of the ordinance in its entirety, which motion was seconded by Councilman DeSalvo. The motion to adopt was passed by roll call vote as follows: Council Member Doug Seal YEA Council Member Gene Hoffman YEA Council Member Jeffrey Reed YEA Council Member Kyle Lewis YEA Council Member Buddy Zimmerman YEA Council Member Josh DeSalvo YEA Council Member Gary Knoblock YEA Passed by the City Council of the City of Bay Saint Louis on the 8th day of February 2022. 03/02/22

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI COUNTY OF HANCOCK SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE

WHEREAS, on the 27TH day of April, 2018, Athena J. Barnett, executed a Deed of Trust to G. Gerald Cruithird, Trustee for the benefit of H L & C – HANCOCK, LLC, A Mississippi limited liability company, which said Deed of Trust is recorded in Land Trust Deed Book 2018, Pages 20500, 4 pages reentered in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi; and WHEREAS, H L & C – HANCOCK LLC, a Mississippi limited liability company substituted trustee by instrument dated February 21, 2022 and found of record in Book 2022, Page 5805, in the aforesaid office, therefore substituting JOSHUA W. CLOSSON as Trustee, in place and stead of G. GERALD CRUTHIRD, the original Trustee in said Deed of Trust; and WHEREAS, default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness secured by said Deed of Trust and H L & C – HANCOCK, LLC, the holder of the Note and Deed of Trust, having requested the undersigned Trustee so to do, I will on the 30th day of March, 2022, offer for sale at public outcry and sell during the legal hours, between 11:00 a.m. o'clock and 4:00 p.m. o'clock, at the East Front Door of the County Courthouse of Hancock County at Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, for cash to the highest bidder, the following described property lying and being situated in Hancock County, Mississippi, being more particularly described as follows, to-wit: 5034 Gem Street, Bay St. Louis, MS 39511, & 12, Square 729, Shoreline Park Subdivision, Unit 11, City of Hancock, State of Mississippi, as per the official map or plat thereof on file and of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County. Parcel No. 139B-0-29-262.000.

I will convey only such title as vested in me as such Substituted Trustee. WITNESS My signature, upon this, the 23rd day of February, A.D., 2022. JOSHUA W. CLOSSON, Substituted Trustee 03/02/22, 03/09/22, 03/16/22, 03/23/22

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JAMES C. LEBEAU RENE L. WARREN ADMINISTRATRIX CAUSE NO. 21-CV-460-JP NOTICE TO CREDITORS Letters of Administration having been granted to the undersigned on October 7, 2021 by the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against the Estate of JAMES C. LEBEAU, deceased, to present the same to the clerk of said court for probate and registration, according to law, within ninety

(90) days from this date. Failure to probate and register claims within the said ninety (90) day period will operate to forever bar such claims.

WITNESS my signature on this date, February 25, 2022. /s/ RENE L. WARREN 03/02/22, 03/09/22, 03/16/22

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI IN RE: ESTATE OF BARBARA A. RAPPOLD, DECEASED CAUSE NO. 23CHI-22-cv-00092-MA EXECUTRIX NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF BARBARA A. RAPPOLD Letters Testamentary having been granted on the 25th day of February, 2022 by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned upon the estate of BARBARA A. RAPPOLD, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of said Court for Probate and registered according to law within 90 days from this date, or they will be forever barred. This 25th day of February, A.D., 2022. LAURA J. STEPRO, EXECUTRIX Caroline E. Haas, MS Bar No. 104525 Haas and Haas Attorneys 201 N. Second Street Bay St. Louis, MS 39520 T: (228) 467-6574 F: (228) 467-6567 03/02/22, 03/09/22, 03/16/22

NOTICE OF BOND ELECTION BAY ST. LOUIS-WAVELAND SCHOOL DISTRICT BAY ST. LOUIS, MISSISSIPPI Notice is hereby given to the qualified electors of the Bay St. Louis-Waveland School District of Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, that a special election will be held in said District on

Tuesday, the 29th day of March, 2022 Between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

for the purpose of submitting to the qualified electors of said District the following proposition, to-wit: Shall the Bay St. Louis-Waveland School District issue its bonds in the maximum principal amount of \$37,850,000 to raise money for the purpose of paying the costs, including the costs of borrowing, of purchasing, erecting, repairing, equipping, remodeling and enlarging school buildings and related facilities, purchasing land therefor, establishing and equipping school athletic fields and necessary facilities connected therewith, and providing necessary water, light, heating, air conditioning and sewerage facilities for such school buildings and related facilities, including, but not limited to the following generally described project: (a) Waveland Elementary: construct pre-K addition, construct playground and add security enhancements to the campus; (b) Bay High School: construct new classrooms, renovate restrooms and plumbing, construct multimedia learning lab, renovate science labs, create additional green space, renovate and construct addition to cafeteria/multi-purpose building, renovate and equip classrooms for vocational program, renovate and equip classrooms for testing facility, renovate and equip gymnasium; (c) Bay-Waveland Middle School: construct and equip STEM addition, replace HVAC system, renovate and equip gymnasium, construct outdoor dining area, renovate and improve practice field, relocate ROTC practice pad, enlarge and equip old field house for conversion to training facility; (d) North Bay Elementary: construct and equip STEM addition, construct and equip playground, security enhancements, lighting upgrades, and upgrade water fountains; (e) Crossroads Learning Center: replace flooring and renovate and enlarge classrooms; (f) Baseball Stadium, Softball Stadium and Football Stadium: renovate, equip and construct improvements?

FOR THE BOND ISSUE ()

AGAINST THE BOND ISSUE ()

(Place a cross (X) or check (✓) mark opposite your choice on the proposition.)

The said election will be held at the following polling places within the Bay St. Louis-Waveland School District:

Location Bay High School Gymnasium Address 750 Blue Meadow Road Bay St. Louis, MS

Location Waveland Elementary School Main Office/Entrance Area Address 1101 St. Joseph Street Waveland, MS

The said polling places will be open from the hour of 7:00 A.M. until the hour of 7:00 P.M. on the day of said election. Said election shall be held and conducted, as far as practicable, in the same manner as other elections are held in the District, in accordance with the laws of the State of Mississippi. All qualified electors of the Bay St. Louis-Waveland School District will be entitled to vote in said election. The bonds described in the foregoing proposition shall be issued if, and only if, at least three-fifths (3/5) of those qualified electors who vote on said proposition in the election shall vote in favor of the issuance of bonds for the purpose set forth in the proposition. The Board may, by subsequent resolution, determine to issue some or all of the bonds described herein to be sold to the Mississippi Development Bank pursuant to Sections 31-25-1, et seq. of the Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended (the "Bank Act") for the purposes set forth herein. Done by order of the Board of Trustees of the Bay St. Louis-Waveland School District of Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, January 10, 2022. /s/ Mr. Casey Favre President, Board of Trustees Bay St. Louis-Waveland School District 02/23/22, 03/02/22, 03/09/22, 03/16/22, 03/23/22

REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS (RFQ) ENGINEERING SERVICES AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT AND GULF COAST RESTORATION FUND The City of Bay St. Louis, Mississippi (the "City") is soliciting qualification statements from interested firms to assist the City with engineering and project implementation services for project(s) relating to the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) and the Gulf Coast Restoration Fund (GCRF)

The proposed type of projects anticipated by the City are as defined as eligible projects in ARPA and GCRF. SCOPE OF SERVICES The scope of services includes preliminary analysis of the City's needs, preliminary engineering design, final engineering design, construction observation and project implementation in compliance with requirements of ARPA and GCRF. It is the intent of the City to invest in water and sewer infrastructure and other capital improvements such as buildings, grounds, and parking

structures. The services to be provided will include, but are not limited to the following:

1. Assistance to the City with preliminary project identification.
2. Topographic surveys.
3. Preliminary and final engineering design of identified projects.
4. Assisting with the construction bid package in conformance with applicable federal requirements, supervising bid advertising, bid tabulation, and award process, including preparing the advertisements for bid solicitation, conducting the bid opening, and issuing the notice to proceed.
5. Conduct any, if necessary, preconstruction conferences.
6. Construction administration.
7. On-site observation of construction and preparing observation reports at the request of the City.
8. Reviewing and approving Contractor requests for payment and submitting approved requests submitted to the City.
9. Conduct and/or oversee any final inspections and testing.
10. Provide review and oversight to ensure compliance with federal regulations.

REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATION STATEMENTS The following information shall be included under the title "Request for Qualification Statements for Engineering Services for AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT AND GULF COAST RESTORATION FUND."

1. Name of Respondent
2. Respondent Address
3. Respondent Telephone Number
4. Respondent Federal Tax Identification Number
5. Respondent DUNS Number
6. Name, title, telephone number, and email address of the contract person authorized to contractually obligate the Respondent.
- Contents of RFQ
- Respondent to include the following information:
 - Transmittal Letter
 - A brief statement of the Respondent's understanding of the scope of work.
 - A confirmation that Respondent meets the appropriate Mississippi licensing requirements.
 - Any other information the Respondent deems appropriate.
 - Signature of the individual who is authorized to provide information of this nature in the name of the Respondent.
2. Background and Experience
- Legal name of firm and/or individual submitting.
- Short history of Respondent.
- Detailed information on the firm/individual's prior engagements with the City or other governmental entities on federally funded projects.
- A list of completed similar federally funded projects.
- A list of written references from previous clients attesting to the quality of work.
- Description of the firm/individual's workload and capacity to accomplish the work in the required timeframe.
- Information pertaining to the firm/individual's professional errors and omissions coverage carried.
3. Specialized Knowledge
- Respondent should describe their knowledge and experience with federally funded projects and federal requirements for grant programs.
4. Personal/Professional Qualifications
- Identify staff members and job classifications on employees who would be assigned to act for the Respondent in key management and field positions required by the scope of services.
- Include resumes and curriculum vitae of each staff member identified above. Provide detailed descriptions of each staff member's experience in federal grant funding.

SELECTION CRITERIA The City shall evaluate each Respondent. Respondents will be evaluated on the basis of the written materials submitted and according to the following factors: Experience of the firm/individual with this particular type of construction Max 50 points Current capacity to accomplish the work Max 25 points The City reserves the right to conduct oral interviews for the top scoring firms/individuals.

The City will determine which firm will be selected to enter into contract negotiations. The City reserves the right to enter into contracts with multiple firms to provide the services contained within this request for qualifications. Questions should be addressed to: Kimberly Fore at 228-466-8951.

Responses to the RFQ must be received no later than Friday, April 1, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. Please write "American Rescue Plan and Gulf Coast Restoration Fund Qualification Statement-Engineering Services" on the cover of the submitted package. Eight copies of the RFP must be provided. The City will not accept electronic submittals.

The City of Bay St. Louis is an equal opportunity employer. We encourage all small and minority-owned firms, women's business enterprises and Section 3 businesses to apply. 03/02/22, 03/09/22

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL FOR BANKING SERVICES

The City of Bay St. Louis, Mississippi is soliciting bids for a primary banking relationship with a major bank that operates a branch within the city limits. The bank must comply with all applicable rules and regulations in the revised Code of the State of Mississippi. The City intends to enter into a contract for services with the successful proposer for a period of two years, effective April 1, 2022 until March 31, 2024. The services required and the estimated volumes are outlined below. The agreement may be cancelled by mutual agreement with ninety (90) day notice of either party. Any financial institutional whose accounts are insured by the FDIC or any successors to that insurance corporation may qualify as a city depository, if the institution qualifies as a public funds depository under Mississippi Code Annotated § 27-105-05 or a public funds guaranty pool member under Section 27-105-5 and 27-105-6. The qualified financial institution shall secure those deposits by placing qualified securities on deposit with the State Treasurer of Mississippi as proved in MCA Section 27-105.5. Any financial institution not meeting the prescribed rating requirement whose accounts are insured by the FDIC or any successors to that insurance corporation, may receive city funds in an amount not exceeding the amount that is insured by that insurance corporation and may qualify as a city depository to the extent of that insurance. The City currently uses seventeen accounts. The City requires a monthly statement and the availability of wire transfers and daily information on collected, available and closing balances. NSF checks will be processed twice before being returned to the City. We require no Bank Fees, no charge on returned checks or deposits. The bank must have Positive Pay for a limited number of accounts. Online access to daily banking activity for these accounts must be provided. Other services may be required during the term of this Agreement. The City may require safekeeping facilities and services for investment securities. The bank will receive/deliver securities on a delivery versus payment method, protect the City's assets, collect coupon bonds' interest, provide delivery confirmation, verify holdings, provide a monthly statement and credit the City's account for interest and principal payments on the day received. The bank will be required to comply with all State and Federal regulations regarding safekeeping of municipal securities. The City has direct deposit for payroll through a third party payroll processor. The bank will assist the City with the system and deliver funds into employee accounts as specified. Also, all accounts are to be interest bearing accounts unless other- wise noted. Please quote rate structure for a fixed interest. The City also needs access to upload ACH files for monthly utility billings.

BID PROCEDURE Institutions wishing to make proposals to the City for banking services must complete a Municipality Bid Proposal Form which may be obtained in the Finance Department at 688 Highway 90, Bay St. Louis, Mississippi or by email request to sgonzales@baystlouis-ms.gov. Bids must be received in the Finance Department at 688 Highway 90, Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, 39520 no later than 10:00 A.M. on Thursday, March 17, 2022. Bids must be returned in a sealed envelope clearly marked, "DEPOSITORY BIDS". Bids will be evaluated on the responsiveness as required in the specifications, lowest net cost to the City and expected convenience of banking services for the personnel involved. The contract is intended to be offered to the bank proposing the most favorable combination of cost and services as determined at the sole discretion of the City. The City may reject all proposals. Determination of qualification is solely at the discretion of the City. No promise to contract under any set of conditions is intended to be made or implied herein by the City of Bay St. Louis. 03/02/22, 03/09/22, 03/16/22

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION DIAMONDHEAD, MS The Planning and Zoning Commission will conduct a public hearing to receive the recommendation for a Short Term Rental Ordinance by Orion Planning at its next regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday, March 22, 2022, at 6:00p.m. The public hearing will be held at Diamondhead City Hall in the Council Chambers at 5000 Diamondhead Circle in Diamondhead, MS 39525. Interested members of the public are invited to attend. This meeting will also be live streamed for your convenience. If you have any questions or comments or would like to review the application, you may contact the Building Department at the above address and/or at 228-222-4626. 03/02/22

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION DIAMONDHEAD, MS The City of Diamondhead represented by Ronald Jones, Building Official, has filed an application requesting a text amendment to correct an inconsistency in the Zoning Ordinance (Ord. 2012-019). Case File Number is 202200081. The proposed text amendment will make the following change to Zoning Ordinance Article 5 - General Regulations. Article 5.6.4 - Ownership. - add "not after "shall" in the last sentence to read "A nonconforming use of land or structure shall not lose its nonconforming status upon the sale to a new owner". The City Council shall have jurisdiction with respect to all Text Amendments. The Planning Commission shall review and submit a recommendation to the City Council on Text Amendments. The Planning and Zoning Commission will consider this application at its next regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday, March 22, 2022, at 6:00p.m. The public hearing will be held at Diamondhead City Hall in the Council Chambers at 5000 Diamondhead Circle in Diamondhead, MS 39525. Interested members of the public are invited to attend. This meeting will also be live streamed for your convenience. If you have any questions or comments or would like to review the application, you may contact the Building Department at the above address and/or at 228-222-4626. 03/02/22

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF HELEN VIRGINIA RAY, DECEASED ROBBY STROUD, PETITIONER CAUSE NO: 23CHI-21-cv-00270-CB EXECUTRIX'S NOTICE TO CREDITORS STATE OF MISSISSIPPI COUNTY OF HANCOCK Letters Testamentary having been granted on the 13th day of January, 2022, by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned upon the Estate of Helen Virginia Ray, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of said Court for probate and registration according to law within ninety (90) days from this date, or they will be forever barred. THIS 16th day of February, 2022 s/ROBBY STROUD PUBLISH: 02/16/22, 02/23/22, 03/02/22

SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE WHEREAS, on February 5, 2020, Keisha Anne Martin, a single person, executed a Deed of Trust to Tim Williams, Trustee for the benefit of 21st Mortgage Corporation, 620 Market Street, One Centre Square, Knoxville, TN 37902 as recorded in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, in Book 2020 at Page 2748, reference to which is hereby made; and, WHEREAS, said 21st Mortgage Corporation, under the power granted to it in said Deed of Trust, by instrument dated February 11, 2022, duly spread upon the record and recorded in Book 2022 at Page 4443, in the office of the Chancery Clerk aforesaid, did substitute the undersigned Marc K. McKay in the place and stead of the original Trustee and of any other Substituted Trustee; and, WHEREAS, default having been made in the terms and conditions of said Deed of Trust, and the entire debt secured thereby having been declared to be due and payable in accordance with the terms of said Deed of Trust, and the legal holder of said indebtedness having requested the undersigned Substituted Trustee to execute the Trust and sell said land and property in accordance with the terms of said Deed of Trust, for the purpose of raising the sums due thereunder, together with attorney's fees, Substituted Trustee's fees and expenses of sale; NOW, THEREFORE, I, the undersigned Marc K. McKay being the Substituted Trustee, do hereby give notice that on March 23, 2022, between 11:00 o'clock a.m. and 4:00 o'clock p.m., being the legal hours of sale, I will proceed to sell at public outcry, to the highest bidder for cash, at the North Front Steps of the Hancock County Courthouse in Bay St. Louis, State of Mississippi, the following real property described and conveyed in said Deed of Trust, lying and being situated in Hancock County, Mississippi, and being more particularly described as follows, to-wit: Parcel 1: A parcel of land located in the Southeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 18, Township 5 South, Range 15 West, Hancock County, Mississippi, and being more particularly described as follows, to-wit: Commence at a found iron rod located at the Northwest corner of the Southeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 18, Township 5 South, Range 15 West, Hancock County, Mississippi; thence run South 00 degrees 46 minutes 44 seconds West a distance of 36.41 feet to a found iron rod located on the South margin of Uncle Charlie Jones Road; thence run South 89 degrees 57 minutes 29 seconds East along said margin a distance of 446.27 feet to a found iron rod; thence run South 89 degrees 57 minutes 31 seconds East along said margin a distance of 211.59 feet to a set iron rod; thence run South 89 degrees 57 minutes 31 seconds East along said margin a distance of 241.58 feet to a set iron rod and the Point of Beginning; thence run North 88 degrees 46 minutes 48 seconds East along said margin a distance of 200.05 feet to a set iron rod; thence run South a distance of 187.32 feet to a set iron rod; thence run North 89 degrees 48 minutes 00 seconds West a distance of 200.00 feet to a set iron rod; thence run North a distance of 182.36 feet to the Point of Beginning. Said parcel of land is also known as "Parcel 3" in that certain survey dated October 18, 2005, by William C. Smith, Inc. AND ALSO: Parcel 2: Commencing at the Southwest corner of the Southeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 18, Township 5 South, Range 15 West, Hancock County, Mississippi; thence South 89 degrees 48 minutes 00 seconds East 1316.37 feet; thence North 737.90 feet to the Point of Beginning; thence North 89 degrees 48 minutes 00 seconds West 362.00 feet; thence North 361.00 feet; thence South 89 degrees 48 minutes 00 seconds East 362.00 feet; thence South 361.00 feet to the Point of Beginning. This parcel containing 3.00 acres and being a part of the Southeast Quarter

of the Southwest Quarter of Section 18, Township 5 South, Range 15 West, Hancock County, Mississippi. AND ALSO: Ingress/Egress easement: A parcel of land situated and being located in the Southeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 18, Township 5 South, Range 15 West, Hancock County, Mississippi, and being more particularly described as follows, to-wit: Commencing at an old axle found at the Northeast corner of the Southeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 18, Township 5 South, Range 15 West; thence run South 00 degrees 06 minutes 11 seconds East 228.70 feet; thence run North 89 degrees 47 minutes 22 seconds West 210.03 feet; thence run North 89 degrees 46 minutes 54 seconds West 151.97 feet; thence continue North 89 degrees 46 minutes 54 seconds West 48.17 feet to the Point of Beginning of the parcel herein described; thence run from said Point of Beginning, North 89 degrees 47 minutes 23 seconds West 30.00 feet; thence run North 00 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East 181.57 feet to the Southerly margin of Uncle Charlie Jones Road; thence run North 88 degrees 45 minutes 39 seconds East 30.01 feet along the Southerly margin of Uncle Charlie Jones Road; thence run South 00 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West 182.32 feet to the Point of Beginning. AND ALSO: Ingress/Egress easement: A parcel of land situated and being located in the Southeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 18, Township 5 South, Range 15 West, Hancock County, Mississippi, and being more particularly described as follows, to-wit: Commencing at an old axle found at the Northeast corner of the Southeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 18, Township 5 South, Range 15 West; thence run South 00 degrees 06 minutes 11 seconds East 228.70 feet; thence run North 89 degrees 47 minutes 22 seconds West 210.03 feet; thence run North 89 degrees 46 minutes 54 seconds West 151.97 feet to the Point of Beginning of the parcel herein described; thence continue from said Point of Beginning, North 89 degrees 46 minutes 54 seconds West 48.17 feet; thence run North 89 degrees 47 minutes 23 seconds West 30.00 feet; thence run South 00 degrees 06 minutes 11 seconds East 181.57 feet; thence run North 89 degrees 47 minutes 23 seconds East 30.01 feet along the Southerly margin of Uncle Charlie Jones Road; thence run South 00 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West 182.32 feet to the Point of Beginning. AND ALSO: Ingress/Egress easement: A parcel of land situated and being located in the Southeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 18, Township 5 South, Range 15 West, Hancock County, Mississippi, and being more particularly described as follows, to-wit: Commencing at an old axle found at the Northeast corner of the Southeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 18, Township 5 South, Range 15 West; thence run South 00 degrees 06 minutes 11 seconds East 228.70 feet; thence run North 89 degrees 47 minutes 22 seconds West 210.03 feet; thence run North 89 degrees 46 minutes 54 seconds West 151.97 feet to the Point of Beginning of the parcel herein described; thence continue from said Point of Beginning, North 89 degrees 46 minutes 54 seconds West 48.17 feet; thence run North 89 degrees 47 minutes 23 seconds West 30.00 feet; thence run South 00 degrees 06 minutes 11 seconds East 181.57 feet; thence run North 89 degrees 47 minutes 23 seconds East 30.01 feet along the Southerly margin of Uncle Charlie Jones Road; thence run South 00 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West 182.32 feet to the Point of Beginning. AND ALSO: Ingress/Egress easement: A parcel of land situated and being located in the Southeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 18, Township 5 South, Range 15 West, Hancock County, Mississippi, and being more particularly described as follows, to-wit: Commencing at an old axle found at the Northeast corner of the Southeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 18, Township 5 South, Range 15 West; thence run South 00 degrees 06 minutes 11 seconds East 228.70 feet; thence run North 89 degrees 47 minutes 22 seconds West 210.03 feet; thence run North 89 degrees 4

Child Find program under way on coast

SEA COAST ECHO

Child Find, an on-going effort to locate, identify and evaluate children 21 years of age and younger who are physically, mentally, communicatively and/or emotionally disabled, is underway along the Coast. In addition, each school district shall be in compliance with the guidelines of the Stewart B. McKinney Homeless Assistance Amendment Act of 1990 (P. L. 101-645), Section VI. Each district will provide comparable educational and supportive services to all homeless children and youth.

Early identification of children in need of special education is most important to each child. The information gathered from parents and agencies is used to determine program needs and make free public education available to all disabled children.

Information regarding children will be maintained by the school district and will be provided to other agencies only in accordance with the Family Rights and Privacy Act.

Each school district provides services for the following disabilities: speech and language,

autism, traumatic brain injuries, learning disabilities, intellectual disabilities, visual impairments, hearing impairments, developmental delays, orthopedic impairments, other health impairments and emotional disabilities, as well as combinations of some disabilities.

Parents or guardians with disabled children ages birth through 21 who are not currently receiving services are encouraged to contact the Child Find Coordinator in their districts for information.

Bay St. Louis-Waveland: Michelle Milton, 200 North Second Street,

Bay St. Louis, MS 39520; (228) 467-1021

Hancock County: Gina Shavers, 18375 Hwy. 603, Kiln, MS 39556; (228) 466-6340

Pass Christian: Tricia Cox, 6457 Kiln-Delisle Road, Pass Christian, MS 39571; (228) 255-6205

Pearl River County: Mike Posey, 7391 Hwy. 11, Carriere, MS 39426; (601)798-1912

Picayune: Diane Wise, 622 Goodyear Blvd., Picayune, MS 39466; (601)798-4555

Poplarville: Stachia Peterson, 302 S. Julia St., Poplarville, MS 39470; (601)795-6153

Call for Maker’s Space artists

SEA COAST ECHO

The Arts, Hancock County announces a call for Artists to participate in the Maker’s Space area for the Upcoming Arts Alive! Festival to be held May 21, 2022.

Artists wishing to participate will find registration forms and more information at HancockArts.org. Arts Alive! will schedule artists for blocks of time in the Maker’s Space Area which will be held in the Community Hall. Artists of all genres are encouraged to present demonstrations, or activities, that can be enjoyed by attendees. Electricity will be provided.

Arts Alive! will be held in the Historic Depot Arts District in Bay St. Louis, Mississippi from 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. on Saturday, May 21. With over 45 vendor and maker spaces, this will be a Festival to remember!

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evangelist who claimed he could heal the sick. Well, he couldn’t and mostly used actors when he performed his “healings” on stage.

I’m a huge fan of the “Little House on the Prairie” series. In an episode called “The Faith Healer,” the Rev. James Danforth comes to Walnut Grove and claims to be able to perform great miracles. One farmer brings his son to Danforth’s tent revival who complained of abdominal pain and thinks the man has healed him. However, Dr. Baker thinks otherwise and urges the man to let him perform surgery on his son. During this time, people also stopped going to see Dr. Baker for their sicknesses. Later on, the son dies after his appendix bursts. Charles Ingalls later exposes the man for the con artist he is.

The episode is one that I have always remembered, especially during these past two years of the pandemic. How many stories have we seen where evangelists have encouraged their flock to abandon the advice of doctors and

scientists? Some died because of taking that advice.

Leviticus 13:45-46 NIV states, “Anyone with such a defiling disease must wear torn clothes, let their hair be unkempt, cover the lower part of their face and cry out, ‘Unclean! Unclean!’ As long as they have the disease they remain unclean. They must live alone; they must live outside the camp.”

Hey, look, it’s another Bible verse that most won’t quote when talking about this pandemic. It also kind of makes me want to yell, “Unclean” at random people next time I go to the store.

And yes, one should absolutely question and be involved in their own medical decisions, but when it comes to matters of health, I would rather take the advice of a medical professional than a religious charlatan.

Of course, I’ve also seen the real televangelists in action. Those like Joel Osteen, Jim Bakker, Benny Hinn, Jimmy Swaggart, and Billy Graham, etc. The list is much too long to list here.

As children, my sister and I would act out Benny Hinn’s stage performances, also known as “healings.”

Even back then, I could see through it.

Now, I’m not saying that miracles can’t happen. I believe they do. But, I don’t believe it comes in the form of these types of televangelists.

The show “The Righteous Gemstones” is about a family who runs a mega church. While some of the story lines are outlandish and hilarious, the scenes that depict that church worship are spot on.

I once attended a service at a big mega-church in Colorado. It was the size of a small arena, complete with stadium-like seating, and full stage and band.

It was an uncomfortable experience and was run more like a cheap version of a Broadway show.

For me, the whole “build it they will come” routine had the opposite effect on me. They built it, I left.

It’s like Lenny Bruce said, “Every day, people are straying away from the church and going back to God.”

Some have said they don’t like that “The Righteous Gemstones” might imply that people who follow celebrity pastors are “easily manipulated simpletons.”

I kind of view the people who follow televangelists and me-

ga-church pastors the same way I view people who are so easily taken in by pyramid schemes or multi-level marketing. People who are searching for something shiny, something that could fill the voids, something that could make them feel like they are contributing, either to their own household or their own spiritual journey.

I’ve known since I was in my early teens that celebrity pastors were not all they say they are. I can’t see sending tithes to these people either. People who have fancy homes, cars that cost more than some yearly salaries, band equipment that rivals that of the most accomplished rock band, etc., etc.

And most of these televangelists have been involved in some sort of scandal, but it is brushed off and no one is held accountable.

In my humble opinion, they aren’t interested in saving your eternal soul, they are interested in your pocketbook. That meager tithe that you might be unable to afford to send, but you send anyway because you think it might be used to further God’s work.

“Command those who are rich in this present world not to be arrogant nor to put their hope in

wealth, which is so uncertain, but to put their hope in God, who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. Command them to do good, to be rich in good deeds, and to be generous and willing to share.” — 1 Timothy 7:17-18.

I’m not of the opinion that someone should become a pastor to fill their own pockets, build huge ornate churches, etc., etc. And yet, that’s what I see over and over again. Plus, the willingness of the flock to send them funds over and over again.

Especially when you can do God’s work without having to set foot in a church. Help a neighbor, donate to the local soup kitchen, say a kind word to someone, and so on and on. You don’t have

to be in a grand palace to worship, no matter how great those Sunday selfies might turn out.

“Hey boss. Remember me? Jack Newton. Got a question for you. Why did you make so many suckers. You say, ‘love never endeth.’ I say love never started. You say ‘the meek shall inherit the Earth.’ And I say all the meek can count on is getting the short end of the stick. You say, ‘is there one among you who is pure of heart?’ And I say not one.” — Steve Martin in “Leap of Faith.”

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KITTY CORNER

Talulah is a small 4-year-old female short-haired tortoise-shell cat currently living at the Hancock County Animal Shelter who is looking for a new fur-ever home. You don’t have to be alone — take an older cat as your companion. For more, call the shelter at 228-466-4516.



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for discussion. The Senate will go through the same process with House bills.

One bill that has already made its way to the House floor from the Senate side is Senate Bill 2806, which would prohibit reverse auctions for repair and remodeling of public facilities. The bill passed by a vote of 81-32 before being held on a motion to reconsider.

On Tuesday, the House honored two members of

the Jackson Fire Department for their service on the Mississippi Urban Search and Rescue Task Force during Hurricane Ida. Lieutenant Toby Johnson (House Concurrent Resolution 11) and Linc Tucker (House Concurrent Resolution 12) were presented with their respective resolutions in the chamber gallery.

Other visitors at the Capitol this week included the Mississippi Youth Council, the American Heart Association, the Mississippi Chapter of the American Council of Engineering Companies, the Mississippi Coalition Against Domestic Violence, Teen Pact and the ACLU of Mississippi.

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Poitevent (1814-1890) built a sawmill in Gainesville around 1840. In 1846, Henry Weston (1823-1912) migrated from Maine to work for Poitevent. An important sawmill in the Kiln was started by Captain Sam Favre in 1859. These early pioneer entrepreneurs from the aforementioned historic families of Hancock County in the later Nineteenth Century morphed into titans of the lumber business. These mills and the wealth they created were the foundation of

a more modern and diversified economy in the Twentieth Century.

In conclusion, livestock, cotton, and then timber were the principle sectors of the economy of antebellum Hancock County. Commercial centers evolved along the Gulf Coast such as Pearlinton, Gainesville, Kiln, and DeLisle. Shieldsboro was a small, but important, resort town and fishing village. Before 1837, corn, not cotton, was the principle crop in Mississippi. Nevertheless, after the emergence of the Cotton Kingdom in the antebellum South in 1860, the value of livestock was twice the value of the South’s cotton crop. In this

era, the timber industry was primitive because the tools of the trade such as the crosscut saw were so labor intensive. The advent of the steam engine-driven circular saw transformed the timber business into a more lucrative enterprise. A collection of close-knit families migrated to Hancock County and started commercial enterprises that built a robust economy. These families intermarried for several generations and their descendants populate the Gulf Coast today.

In our next column the saga of Jeremiah Henley (namesake of Henleyfield) will be presented, which is a story about Napoleon and buried gold treasure.

MEET GANNON.

This boy is ready to have some fun! Who's up to romping-n-playing and having a great time? If you are seeking a canine best buddy, then Gannon is your



pup. True to his breed mix, (Australian Shepherd and Blue Heeler), he is super active and playful. Plus, he is still just a puppy at only 8 months old, so fun and games are to be expected. Gannon will most definitely need a large fenced backyard and daily walks to direct his energy in a positive manner. We would love for you to come in and meet this affectionate, loving pup. Our visiting hours are Mon-Fri 10am-3pm (Tues 12pm-3pm), or you may call our front desk at 228-466-4516 to schedule a meet-n-greet. You will fall in love with this amazing, happy furbaby.

The Community

CALENDAR

MARCH 2

- The AARP Foundation will offer free income tax preparation for low-to-moderate-income taxpayers in Hancock County beginning Feb. 5 through April 9. The Waveland Library will host the only tax preparation site in the county. Appointments will be required and informational packets on how to make the appointment and what to bring will be available at the Kiln, Waveland, and Bay St. Louis libraries beginning Jan. 24. Please note that appointments are required and walk-ins will not be accepted. Site Manager Charles Gallagher said that “although COVID-19 has placed limits on the amount of service we can provide, the preparers and other volunteers have been trained and are ready for

the challenges the 2022 tax year may bring.” All preparers are IRS certified. The libraries cannot answer tax questions. Please do not call them; simply go by and ask for your AARP packet. COVID-19 protocols will be followed and masks will be required by all.

- Calling all cancer survivors. You are invited to a luncheon to honor cancer survivors on Friday, March 18 at the Hollywood Casino Gulf Coast Cypress Ballroom. The guest speaker will be Laurie Johnson, BS, PCC. Register today at www.relayforlife.org/hancockms or visit the Hancock County Relay for Life Facebook page for more details.

MARCH 8

- Steven Palazzo will be the guest speaker at the

Hancock County Republican Women’s Wine, Women, and Wisdom event at 5:30 p.m. at Rum Kitchen in Waveland.

MARCH 24

- The Vietnam Memorial Touring Wall: The Wall That Heals, will be on display in Bay St. Louis, MS, March 24-27, 2022, and the everyone is invited to attend, free of charge. The Wall That Heals will be open 24 hours from Thursday, March 24 at 3 p.m. until Sunday, March 28, at 2 pm. and will remain open 24-hours through March 27, and there is no charge for admission. Group tours can be scheduled for day or evening all four days of the event. The exhibit will be located at the former site of North Bay Elementary on Dunbar Avenue, Bay St. Louis, MS. Space is limited. To schedule a tour, please contact Lilyana Gandour, museum operations director, at

228-467-9223 or email her at artcoordinator.alicemoseley@gmail.com. The Alice Moseley Museum Vietnam Memorial Touring Wall Committee will provide a 45-minute tour for each group comprising of information on The Wall and the Vietnam War. A site manager and a staff member will conduct an age-appropriate tour for each group.

APRIL 23

- The 14th annual C&R’s Crawfish Cookoff will be held on Coleman Avenue in Waveland. This year’s beneficiary is the Hancock Resource Center, a 501(c)(3) organization that works to stabilize families and strengthen the community. Twenty different teams will compete for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place Best Crawfish and cash rewards will be awarded to the top two teams. Special prizes will be given to teams for other awards such as People’s Choice Award and the

Most Unique, Edible Lagniappe Award. It begins at 10 a.m. and ends at 4 p.m. The event will include crawfish from 20 different teams, live music, and entertainment for the whole family. Advanced tickets for adults (13 and over) will be sold online for \$25 and \$10 for children (9-12). Children eight and under are free. Adults tickets at the gate will be \$30. To register a team or prepurchase tickets, visit www.hancockhrc.org. To learn about sponsorship op-

portunities, email Rhonda Rhodes at rrhodes@hancockhrc.org or Taylor Lee at tlee@hancockhrc.org.

Disclaimer: Events featured on the calendar page are printed at no charge and space permitting. Please keep submissions limited to about 100 words or less. Submissions are limited to community, educational, churches and non-profit organizations. Please submit your calendar entries electronically to gbelcher@seacoastecho.com.

• **AUDIT**

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that the tagging is there. Things like electronics, computers, things that can walk out of the door. We want to be mindful of that.”

Necaise also said that he made note of instances where items were purchased, but not tagged and put into the inventory system.

Necaise also spoke about purchases with credit cards.

“By state statute, you cannot use your credit cards for anything but travel,” he said. “There’s two types of cards that you would have. You would have a regular credit card that you would use for travel purposes and then you would have what we call a ‘p’ card, which is regulated by the state. And the ‘p’ card would be for purchasing. So if you need to pay for conference fees or subscriptions, postage, things that can only be done digitally where it’s mandated that you use a credit card and they do not accept other forms of payment. We want to be mindful that when you’re approving expenditures, that you’re approving it on a credit card, that we’re not using your regular Visa card or your regular MasterCard, that you’re using your purchase card the way that we should be.”

Necaise said that outstanding checks greater than five years old have not been remanded to the state treasurer’s office pursuant to state law, which he said is a repeat finding.

He said the county has been working on trying to find the people. However, if they can’t be found after five years, that money is supposed to be turned over to the state treasurer, who holds the funds and starts trying to find the people.

Necaise said they also looked at internal control issues, such as items the board approves through its minutes that might not be happening, which included unapproved — needing a supervisor’s signature — mileage reimbursements for several employees, mainly in the administration and election departments.

He also said it was noted that terminated employees have paid time off on their profiles; part-time employees worked more than board approved hours on multiple occasions; expenditures exceeded budgeted amounts on multiple occasions; and GOMESA funds were not recognized and obligated by the board via the minutes.

“The way GOMESA works, money is allocated through the state, and you get an allotment of that money, basically every year,” he said. “So say you get, a million and a half or something like that, dollars a year. What happened is, you guys basically came up with a bond and you said we’ve got this bond that’s going to be guaranteed by GOMESA funds, possibly the debt service by the GOMESA funds, therefore, in order for us to front load that, we’re going to take the bond, we’re going to get all this money, we’re going to do capital improvements that are GOMESA eligible, we’re going to spend all the money and that’s basically going to be our GOMESA project criteria. The problem with that is that GOMESA are all federal funds, all federal grant funds are regulated on the expenditure side. If you technically, to date, have only gotten \$3 million worth of GOMESA money through the state, from the federal government, then that \$3 million has to be obligated and expended by you. You can’t show that

you’ve expended \$10 million worth of GOMESA money when you’ve not even received \$10 million worth of GOMESA money. So what’s been happening, through the minutes, when we’re reading it, the GOMESA money is coming up for disbursement, so we’re coming up and saying we’ve done this on the highway or we’ve done this, therefore we’re dispersing this much money from GOMESA funds. The inspector general’s office, if they came here, and they said we’re going to review your GOMESA funds, they could care less if you’ve spent \$10 million worth of your bond, what they care about is how did you spend the \$3 million worth of GOMESA money that you’ve actually received. And unfortunately, that \$3 million is not recorded in here. It’s recorded because you dispersed your bond, but it’s not recorded how you actually dispersed the money that you received.”

When the county is awarded GOMESA funds, Necaise said, it must receive the money in the minutes and budget, show how it’s being dispersed in the minutes.

Necaise said it can’t be tied to the bond.

“The federal government could care less about the bond,” he said. “They want to know how did you spend the money that you received.”

He said that the county needs to figure out how much GOMESA money it has received in the past couple of years and how it was spent.

“We need to get a clean record of how we’re obligating that,” Necaise said. “Federal law basically says, in most cases, that interest expense is not allowable for grant funds. So you typically can’t get grant money from the government and spend it on interest. GOMESA, unfortunately,

is one of those federal laws that has very little criteria. But, it is kind of specific on what you can spend the money on. So we probably need to do a little research so that when you are obligating the funds, when you’re going to put it in your minutes this is what we’re spending the money on, we’re going to obligate it to say we’re either spending it on the principal balance of this bond or whatever you want to do. But we need to make sure what we’re obligating it on is an allowable cost.”

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF POLLING PLACES FOR
THE BAY ST. LOUIS-WAVELAND SCHOOL DISTRICT SPECIAL ELECTION:

ONLY those registered voters who RESIDE WITHIN THE JURISDICTION of the Bay-Waveland School District are eligible to vote in this special election.
The POLLING LOCATIONS for the March 29th Bay-Waveland School District Special Election will be as follows:

- All registered voters who vote in City of Bay St. Louis Municipal Elections **AND** reside in the jurisdiction of the Bay-Waveland School District will vote in the Gymnasium of Bay High School located at 750 Blue Meadow Road, Bay St. Louis.
- All registered voters who vote in City of Waveland Municipal Elections **AND** reside in the jurisdiction of the Bay-Waveland School District will vote at the Waveland Elementary School's Main Office/Entrance Area located at 1101 St. Joseph Street, Waveland.
- All registered voters who **DO NOT** vote in any municipal election **BUT STILL** reside in the jurisdiction of the Bay-Waveland School District will vote in the Gymnasium of Waveland Elementary School located at 1101 St. Joseph Street, Waveland.

Please note these polling locations are different from the locations where you vote for municipal, county, state or federal elections.

— BAY-WAVELAND SCHOOL DISTRICT —

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Shore Thing: Cat and Mouse



Shore Thing Fishing Report

BY CPT. SONNY
SCHINDLER

This late February and early March has got to be the most challenging fishing we see all year. We have drastic shifts in wind, temperature and salinity(daily). If you wanna really see what your made of as an angler, try your luck this time of year. Then again, what doesn't break you, makes you.

I'm not gonna lie, we've had some long days on the water this past week or two. Our sheepshead spots in close have been good , the fish have been huge, but scattered some days.

Our historical "honey holes" down south in the LA Marsh for this time of year, have been void of life. The only option has been to move and keep moving, until you find fish.

I noticed my partner Capt Matt Tusa had been bringing in some big freshwater catfish on his last few trips. After some questioning, then begging, he told me he'd been checking some deeper holes around Bayou Biloxi in the Louisiana Marsh. Keep in mind these deeper holes are where we typically see our trout this time of year.

On my last two trips over in the the marsh, I've been checking all of my favorite redfish areas. The fish have either been super spooky or just not there. On both of these same trips I stole a play from Capt

Matt's playbook, and checked some deeper(20 + feet) holes. Hallelujah!all the deeper holes have held big tasty drag screaming catfish. We have kept a handful of



Photo courtesy of Sonny Schindler
Capt Matt Tusa with a nice redfish from the Louisiana Marsh.

cats both trips, and then went back to looking for redfish.

We've found our redfish both trips later in the day(warmer) as far back as the boat would get, in narrow little canals. The

angling opportunities are still there, but between the weather, spooky fish and constant moving, we just have to play a little "Cat and Mouse" to find them...



Photo courtesy of Sonny Schindler
Sonny Schindler, with A big freshwater catfish from the Louisiana Marsh, south of Waveland.

Diamond action takes the spotlight, Lady Pirates in Final Four on hardwood

BY JOSEPH W. GEX, II
STAFF WRITER

BASEBALL

The 'Boys of Spring' have taken to the field as action has taken off.

Bay High has taken flight under new mentor BJ Corr who is a Tiger alum.

The Tigers (0-5) dropped games with St. Patrick 14-5, South Jones 17-5, St. Martin 12-1, Poplarville 9-5, and Poplarville 18-0 last week.

In the series against Poplarville, Ethan Kingston went 2-for-5 with 3 stolen bases, 2 RBIs, and 3 runs scored.

Hancock (2-5) dropped games to PRC 4-0, Picayune 4-3, Long Beach 9-3, Pass Christian 3-0, and Pass Christian 9-4 last week. On Saturday, Hancock swept a pair of games with Picayune 12-8 and 8-6.

In the first game with Picayune on Saturday, Matthew Necaïse was the winning pitcher throwing 6 innings while Peyton DeWitt had three hits including a homerun and 3 RBIs. Tanner Ladner and Cuevas each added a double.

In the second game against the Maroon Tide, Gavin Necaïse got the win with 2 inning in relief. Max Garrett had two hits and Ladner had a double.

In the series with Pass Christian, Brandon King threw 5 innings with 9 strikeouts in the first game as DeWitt had a double. In the second game, Ladner and DeWitt each had a double while Garrett and Jeffrey Hopgood each had a hit.

Pass Christian (5-2) is off to a fast start beating St. Martin 5-3, falling to Picayune 6-5, beating PRC 4-1, beating Hattiesburg 10-7, two wins over Hancock, and falling to Poplarville 2-1.

The Saint Stanislaus Rock-A-Chaws (1-3) have had one bad inning in each of their losses that have doomed the Rocks. SSC started the season with a 7-3 win over Stone but have followed that with losses to Resurrection 13-12, d'Iberville 7-6, and Petal 8-6.

Against Stone, Tanner Reinike got the win allowing one hit and fanning four in 3 innings pitched. Kyle Stegall had two hits including a grand slam while Seth Farni had a 2-run homerun. Hugh LeMasters added two hits while Ethan Jacobi and Jackson Montjoy each had a hit.

Against Resurrection, the Rocks were up 11-3 but ended up walking 11 batters in the game.

In the loss to d'Iberville, Reinike threw 3 innings and allowed 3 earned runs and 6 strikeouts. Evan LaFontaine threw threw scoreless innings. Stegall had a 2-run single, LeMasters a double, Brandon Rhodes a single, and Reinike a hit.

In the loss to Petal, the Rocks allowed 11 batters to the plate in the second inning and gave up 6 runs on 6 hits to go down 6-0.

In the top of the fifth, the Panthers plated two more runs on consecutive errors by the shortstop to go up 8-0.

The Rocks got two runs back in the bottom half when Farni singled and LeMasters smacked a two-run homerun.

In the bottom of the seventh, the Rocks scored four runs on four hits but it was too little too late. Rhodes had a 2-run triple while Stegall and Heith Shinn each tallied RBIs.

SSC head coach Brad Corley stated, "We are striking out too much at the plate. We have to force a team to make 21 outs in the field and we are not doing that right now. We are getting guys on the basepaths but not getting timely hits. All three of our losses have come on a combined four runs. Evan LaFontaine has thrown six consecutive scoreless innings in relief. Credit to our guys for being down six runs with three outs and they respond with four runs."

SOFTBALL

The Bay High Lady Tigers (1-3) have seen some bright spots in the early goings of the season. They have dropped games to Poplarville 8-7, Slidell 10-6, and Picayune 8-2. They beat East Central 4-3.

Hancock (2-1) has lost to d'Iberville 4-1, beat Poplarville 10-5, and beat St. Patrick 11-1.

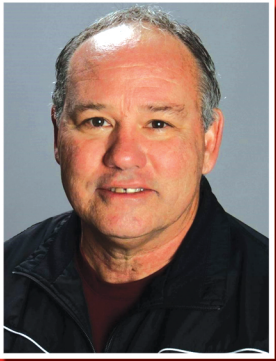
OLA (1-3) lost to Biloxi 21-1, beat Moss Point 18-3, lost to PRC 13-0, and fell to Gautier 19-2.

The Lady Pirates (1-3) lost to East Central 10-0, Picayune 3-2, beat West Harrison 9-4, and lost to Picayune 9-8.

BASKETBALL

The Pass Christian Lady Pirates are the only area team still alive in the basketball playoffs having advanced to the Class 4A Fonal Four with a 62-48 vic-

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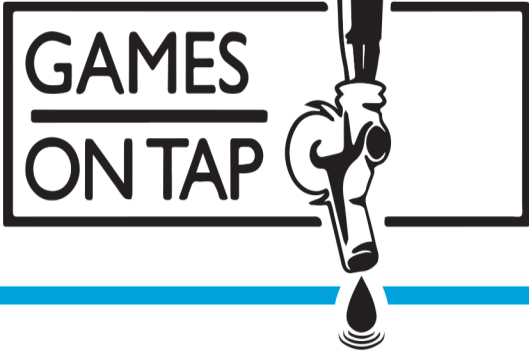
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- Baseball: Hancock vs PRC, 7 p.m.
- Baseball: Saint Stanislaus vs McGill-Toolen in Mobile, 5:30 p.m.
- Golf: Saint Stanislaus at Vancleave (Whispering Pines), 9 a.m.
- Softball: Bay High vs Poplarville, 7 p.m.
- Softball: OLA vs Ben's Ford, 5:30 p.m.
- Softball: Pass Christian at Gautier, 7 p.m.
- Track and Field: West Harrison Hurricane Invitational (SSC, OLA, Hancock, Pass Christian), 4 p.m.

FRIDAY 3-4-22

- Baseball: Bay High at Hancock, 7 p.m.
- Baseball: Saint Stanislaus vs Catholic High in Mobile, 10 a.m.
- Baseball: Saint Stanislaus vs Pensacola Catholic in Mobile, 5:30 p.m.
- Softball: Bay High vs Long Beach, 7 p.m.
- Softball: OLA at Gautier, 5:30 p.m.
- Tennis: SSC/OLA at Pass Christian, 4 p.m.
- Tennis: Hancock at Stone, 4:30 p.m.

SATURDAY 3-5-22

- Baseball: Bay High vs Perry Central at Poplarville, 1 p.m.
- Baseball: Hancock at St. Patrick, 11 a.m.
- Baseball: Hancock vs George County at St. Patrick, 1 p.m.
- Baseball: Pass Christian at Hattiesburg, 12 p.m.
- Baseball: Pass Christian vs Meridian at Hattiesburg, 2 p.m.
- Baseball: Saint Stanislaus vs St. Michael at Mobile, 12 p.m.

MONDAY 3-7-22

- Baseball: Pass Christian vs St. Martin, 7 p.m.
- Golf: Hawk Classic at Diamondhead (Hancock, Saint Stanislaus), 9 a.m.
- Softball: Bay High at East Central, 7 p.m.
- Softball: OLA at Resurrection, 7 p.m.
- Tennis: Hancock at St. Martin, 4:30 p.m.
- Tennis: SSC/OLA vs Sacred Heart at Wiggins, 4 p.m.

TUESDAY 3-8-22

- Archery: Hancock at Picayune, 5 p.m.
- Baseball: Hancock vs Pascagoula, 7 p.m.
- Baseball: Saint Stanislaus at Bay High, 7 p.m.
- Softball: Bay High at Moss Point, 7 p.m.
- Softball: Hancock at PRC, TBD.
- Softball: Pass Christian vs Gautier, 7 p.m.
- Tennis: Bay High vs West Harrison, 4 p.m.

HHS nominees for MHSAA scholarship



Photo submitted
Lauren LaCroix and Brandon King.

SEA COAST ECHO

Brandon King and Lauren LaCroix are this year’s HHS nominees for the MHSAA Lindy Callahan Scholarship. The honorees were chosen for their academic accomplishments, as well as their participation in high school athletics and

extracurricular activities, and will now compete at the state level for one of eight scholarships.

Brandon King is the son of David and Carva King of Kiln. He has been a member of the HHS football team for three years and was the starting punter all three years. Brandon

led the Hawks as starting quarterback for the 2021 season, earning the inaugural Irvin Favre Captain’s Award. He was recognized as a Sea Coast Echo Player of the Week and was the HHS recipient of the National Football Foundation’s Scholar-Athlete Award. For his accomplishments as the Hawks’ punter, Brandon was selected for the Region 8-6A MVP Team. He is also a three-year member of the HHS baseball team, serving as a starting pitcher in both his junior and senior years. Brandon was selected to play in the Gulf Coast Futures All-Star game and has earned both academic and baseball scholarships to East Mississippi Community College, where he will major in Construction

Management. Brandon has a 96.03 GPA and a 4.29 QPA. He is a member of National Honor Society and actively involved in the Steep Hollow Baptist Church Youth Group.

Lauren LaCroix is the daughter of Marie and Kevin LaCroix of Diamondhead. She has been a member of the HHS cross country and track teams for four years and is the Cross Country Team Captain this year. On the track team, Lauren runs the 2-mile and 1-mile events. She competed in the cross country state meet in 9th and 10th grade and placed 2nd in the two-mile at the track district championship in 2021. Her GPA is 98.84 and her QPA is 4.9359 and she is currently ranked 2nd in her

class. Lauren is also a Mississippi Eminent Scholar, having earned a 31 composite score and a 32 super-score on the ACT.

She is a member of National Honor Society, Mu Alpha Theta, Science National Honor Society, Spanish National Honor Society, Beta Club, Student Council, FBLA, and

Hancock Youth Leadership Academy. She is also an active member of Most Holy Trinity Youth Group and the Catholic Diocese of Biloxi Spirit Movers and Search Team. Lauren plans to attend Mississippi State University, where she will major in Chemical Engineering.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The **HANCOCK COUNTY UTILITY AUTHORITY’s** Board Meeting will be held on
Thursday, March 3rd, 2022 @ 4:30 P.M.
The location will be at the
City of Bay St. Louis Board Room @
598 Main Street, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520.

Rocks & Crescents take fourth at Gaston Hewes Relays

BY JOSEPH W. GEX, II
STAFF WRITER

The Saint Stanislaus Rock-A-Chaws and the Our Lady Academy Crescents traveled to Gulfport on Tuesday afternoon to compete in the Gastin Hewes Relays.

The Rocks scored 77 points to place fourth in the meet while OLA tallied 71 points to finish

fourth.

Biloxi won the boys division with 175 points and Ocean Springs won the girls title with 177 points.

The Rocks were led by Keegan Leverett who was a double-winner in the 1600m and 3200m runs with times of 4:31.30 and 9:46.62.

Ryan Tyler won the discus with a throw of 135’ 1” and the shot put with a distance of 44’ 5”.

Chandler Chapman won the 110m hurdles with a time of 16.51.

OLA was led by top three finishers Hutton Scharp (Pole Vault - 2nd - 8’), 4x800m relay (2nd - 11:13.07), Elle Powers (3200m - 3rd - 14:18.13),

Colleen Nolan (1600m - 3rd - 6:08.16; 800m - 3rd - 2:39.94), and the 4x400m relay with a second place time of 4:44.60.

Gov. Reeves proclaims March as Wildfire Prevention Month in Mississippi

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Gov. Tate Reeves has proclaimed March as “Wildfire Prevention Month” in Mississippi, announced the Mississippi Forestry Commission (MFC).

Historically, March has one of the highest wildfire occurrence rates of the year due to the transition from winter to spring, dry vegetation, and windy conditions. Wildfire Prevention Month highlights the responsibility of Mississippians to help protect forests, their homes, and, ultimately, their lives by focusing on how to prevent wildfires.

Mississippi has had an early start to the wildfire season this year. Deficient rainfall plays a vital role in the severity of a fire season, and most of the state has had long intervals of below-average rainfall. A Red Flag Warning was issued for Mississippi in February when low relative humidity and high winds

combined to produce an increased risk of fire danger.

On February 15, MFC Wildland Firefighters suppressed and contained 87 wildfires that burned over 4,600 acres, the most wildfires in a single day since 2019. In February, Mississippi had 440 wildfires that burned 15,640 acres. MFC Wildland Firefighters saved 265 houses, commercial buildings, and other structures. Wildfires damaged or destroyed four homes and 18 structures.

“Few fires in Mississippi are ignited by lightning or natural causes,” said Russell Bozeman, MFC state forester, “most are started by accidental activities by people. The leading cause of wildfires in our state is escaped debris burns, therefore with proper care,

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replace your septic tank with a grinder pump that is connected to the public sewer collection system. ... Again, connecting to the public sewer system will be completely free of charge.”

However, the authority said, “In exchange for this free connection and equipment, the HCUA will need to be granted temporary access to your property. HCUA will require you to complete a right-of-entry onto your property to allow contractors to access your property during the design, construction and

installation of this project.”

HCUA representatives said the project would be ongoing for about a year and a half, which will include both design and construction.

“During this time, HCUA representatives may access your property to take measurements or install equipment,” according to the letter.

The letters going out to residents include a right-of-entry form and a pre-addressed return envelope, and residents are asked to return them on or before March 31.

If residents don’t respond now, according to the HCUA, “upon expiration of the current grant, it will be your re-

sponsibility to purchase and install a grinder pump from the Hancock County Water and Sewer District to meet Mississippi Department of Health requirements. The Mississippi Department of Health requires property owners to be connected to a public sewer system if it is available. Please keep this in consideration when making your final decision.”

HCUA will host a public meeting on the matter beginning at 6 p.m. on Thursday, March 10, at 2021 Kiln Waveland Cutoff Rd.

Anyone who has questions prior to the meeting is urged to contact attorney Heather Ladner Smith at 228-575-3022.

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tory over Purvis on Friday night.

Pass Christian jumped out to a 10-0 lead and didn’t look back.

The Lady Pirates (26-7) led 36-27 at intermission.

For the first time during the season, Pass Christian had four players in double-digit scoring with Haleigh Haynes leading with 17 points, Kylah Bell with 16, and Kemaiyah Pruitt and Daydria Cuevas with 10 points each.

Pass Christian head coach Greta

Ainsworth commented, “When we were able to take Elise Jackson out of the game that made a big difference for us. Our defense really stepped up and that is what wins championships. We shot the ball well and made good shot selection by finding the open player. Our game plan was to be patient on offense.”

With the win, the Lady Pirates played in the Final Four for the second consecutive season on Monday. They played Tishomingo County and fell in overtime 65-52 to end their season with a 27-7 overall record.

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PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

BASEBALL PLAYER OF THE WEEK

The baseball Player of the Week is Hancock's Peyton DeWitt. During the week, DeWitt batted 6-for-13 with a homerun, two doubles and 6 RBIs.

SOFTBALL PLAYER OF THE WEEK

The softball Player of the Week is Bay High's Anlyssa Richardson. During the week, she batted 5-for-8 with a triple and two runs scored. She is batting .562 for the season.

HHS Robotics team wins tournament, will compete in world championships



Photo submitted

On Saturday, Feb. 19, the Hancock Middle School Robotics Team competed in the 2022 Mississippi Vex Robotics State Championship at Hinds Community College in Pearl, Mississippi. Four teams make up the HMS Robotics Team. Their team members and their achievements are as follows: Team 11586A, consisting of Jaylin Bryan and Ethan Carter, qualified the number 4th seed and finished tied for 3rd and they also finished 17th in the Skills Competition. Team 11586B, consisting of Aiden Clay and Logan Weathers, qualified the number 1 seed and won Tournament Champion. They also finished tied for 2nd in the Skill Competition and was awarded the Judges Award. Team 11586C, consisting of Brooklyn Guyman, Vincent Faucett and Lane Lee, qualified the 7th seed and finished 4th and also finished 11th in the Skill Competition. Team 11586D, consisting of Henry Jones and Owen Wise, qualified the 3rd seed and finished tied for 3rd and also finished 14th in the Skill Competition. As State Champions, Team 11586B, Aiden Clay and Logan Weathers, are now qualified to compete in the World Championship on May 8-10 in Dallas, TX. Mr. Charles Bourg is the Robotics Club Sponsor.

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these fires could have been prevented.”

To help prevent wildfires, the MFC offers these tips:

- Check for local or statewide burn bans.
- Check the local weather forecast. Do not burn on dry, windy days.
- Choose a safe burn site, away from flammable materials, and surround the ground around your burn site with bare dirt or gravel.

• Only burn untreated wood debris. Plastic, rubber tires, or other manufactured materials may not be burned.

• Always have a water source close by.

• Never leave a fire unattended.

“Mississippi’s 19.2 million acres of forestland are vital to the health and well-being of

the state,” Bozeman said. “The MFC thanks Gov. Reeves for his proclamation, and we ask all Mississippians to be responsible when burning on their property. Remember, only YOU can prevent wildfires.”

To report a wildfire, call 833-MFC-Fire. Contact law enforcement if you suspect someone of violating local burn bans or burning prohibited items.

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